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COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE THERAPY AND DIAGNOSIS OF LUNG CANCER

5 CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is related to U.S. Patent Application No. 09/736,457, filed December 13, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/702,705, filed October 30, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/677,419, filed October 6, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/671,325, filed September 26, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/658,824, filed September 8, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/651,563, filed August 29, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/614,124, filed July 11, 2000; U.S. Fatent Application No. 09/589,184, filed June 5, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/560,406, filed April 27, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/546,259, filed April 10, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/533,077, filed March 22, 2000; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/476,300, filed December 30, 1999; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/476,300, filed December 30, 1999; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/476,300, filed December 30, 1999; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/476,300, filed December 30, 1999; U.S. Patent Application No. 09/466,867, filed December 17, 1999; U.S. Patent Application 09/419,356, filed October 15, 1999; U.S. Fatent Application No. 09/346,492, filed June 30, 1999; each a CIP of the previous application and all pending.

20 TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to therapy and diagnosis of cancer such as lung cancer. The invention is more specifically related to polyperitides, comprising at least a portion of a lung tumor protein, and to polynucleotides encoding such polypeptides. Such polypeptides and polynucleotides are useful in pharmaceutical compositions, e.g., vaccines, and other compositions for the diagnosis and treatment of lung cancer.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Cancer is a significant health problem throughout the world. Although advances have been made in detection and therapy of cancer, no vaccine or other universally successful method for prevention or treatment is currently available. Current therapies, which are generally based on a combination of chemotherapy or surgery and radiation, continue to prove inadequate in many patients.

Lung cancer is the primary cause of cancer death among both men and women in the U.S., with an estimated 172,000 new cases being reported in 1994. The five-year survival rate among all lung cancer patients, regardless of the stage of disease at diagnosis, is only 13%. This contrasts with a five-year survival rate of 46% among cases detected while the disease is still localized. However, only 16% of lung cancers are discovered before the disease has spread.

Early detection is difficult since clinical symptoms are often not seen until
the disease has reached an advanced stage. Currently, diagnosis is aided by the use of chest
x-rays, analysis of the type of cells contained in sputum and fiberoptic examination of the
bronchial passages. Treatment regimens are determined by the type and stage of the cancer,
and include surgery, radiation therapy and/or chemotherapy.

In spite of considerable research into therapies for this and other cancers, lung cancer remains difficult to diagnose and treat effectively. Accordingly, there is a need in the art for improved methods for detecting and treating such cancers. The present invention fulfills these needs and further provides other related advantages.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

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In one aspect, the present invention provides polynucleotide compositions comprising a sequence selected from the group consisting of:

(a) sequences provided in SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 8781664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890;

- (b) complements of the sequences provided in SE() ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890;
- (c) sequences consisting of at least 20 contiguous residues of a sequence provided in SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1858, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890;
- (d) sequences that hybridize to a sequence provided in SEQ ID NOs: I-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, {08, 810-826, 878-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890, under moderately stringent conditions;
- (e) sequences having at least 75% identity to a sequence of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-8(4, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890;
 - (f) sequences having at least 90% identity to a sequence of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890; and
- 20 (g) degenerate variants of a sequence provided in SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1664, 1669, 1676, 1680-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890.
- In one preferred embodiment, the polynucleotide compositions of the invention are expressed in at least about 20%, more preferably in at least about 30%, and most preferably in at least about 50% of lung tumors samples tested, at a level that is at least about 2-fold, preferably at least about 5-fold, and most preferably at least about 10-fold higher than that for normal tissues.

The present invention, in another aspect, provides polypeotide compositions comprising an amino acid sequence that is encoded by a polynucleotide sequence described above.

The present invention further provides polypeptide compositions comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of sequences recited in SEQ ID NOs:324-340, 783, 786, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797-799, 805, 806, 809, 827, 1667, 1670-1675, 1677-1679, 1806-1822, 1825, 1830-1833, 1834-1856, 1869-1872 and 1874.

In certain preferred embodiments, the polypeptides and/or polynucleotides of the present invention are immunogenic, i.e., they are capable of eliciting an immune response, particularly a humoral and/or cellular immune response, as further described herein.

The present invention further provides fragment, variant: and/or derivatives of the disclosed polypeptide and/or polynucleotide sequences, wherein the fragments, variants and/or derivatives preferably have a level of immunogenic activity of at least about 50%, preferably at least about 70% and more preferably at least about 90% of the level of immunogenic activity of a polypeptide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NOs:324-340, 783, 786, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797-799, 805, 806, 809, 827, 1667, 1670-1675, 1677-1679, 1806-1822, 1825, 1830-1833, 1834-1856, 1869-1872 and 1874 or a polypeptide sequence encoded by a polynucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890.

The present invention further provides polynucleotides that encode a polypeptide described above, expression vectors comprising such polynucleotides and host cells transformed or transfected with such expression vectors.

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Within other aspects, the present invention provides pharmaceutical compositions comprising a polypeptide or polynucleotide as described above and a physiologically acceptable carrier.

Within a related aspect of the present invention, the pharmaceutical compositions, e.g., vaccine compositions, are provided for prophylactic or therapeutic applications. Such compositions generally comprise an immunogenic polypeptide or polynucleotide of the invention and an immunostimulant, such as an adjuvant.

The present invention further provides pharmaceutical compositions that comprise: (a) an antibody or antigen-binding fragment thereof that specifically binds to a polypeptide of the present invention, or a fragment thereof; and (b) a physiologically acceptable carrier.

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Within further aspects, the present invention provides pharmaceutical compositions comprising: (a) an antigen presenting cell that expresses a polypeptide as described above and (b) a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or excipient. Illustrative antigen presenting cells include dendritic cells, macrophages, monocytes, fibroblasts and B cells.

Within related aspects, pharmaceutical compositions are provided that comprise: (a) an antigen presenting cell that expresses a polypeptide as described above and (b) an immunostimulant.

The present invention further provides, in other aspects, fusion proteins that comprise at least one polypeptide as described above, as well as polynucleotides encoding such fusion proteins, typically in the form of pharmaceutical compositions, e.g., vaccine compositions, comprising a physiologically acceptable carrier and/or an immunostimulant. The fusions proteins may comprise multiple immunogenic polypeptides or portions/variants thereof, as described herein, and may further comprise one or more polypeptide segments for facilitating the expression, purification and/or immunogenicity of the polypeptide(s).

Within further aspects, the present invention provides methods for stimulating an immune response in a patient, preferably a T cell response in a human patient, comprising administering a pharmaceutical composition described herein. The patient may be afflicted with lung cancer, in which case the methods provide treatment for the disease, or patient considered at risk for such a disease may be treated prophylactically.

Within further aspects, the present invention provides methods for inhibiting the development of a cancer in a patient, comprising administering to a patient a pharmaceutical composition as recited above. The patient may be afflicted with lung cancer, in which case the methods provide treatment for the disease, cr patient considered at risk for such a disease may be treated prophylactically.

The present invention further provides, within other aspects, methods for removing turnor cells from a biological sample, comprising contacting a biological sample with T cells that specifically react with a polypeptide of the present invention, wherein the step of contacting is performed under conditions and for a time sufficient to permit the removal of cells expressing the protein from the sample.

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Within related aspects, methods are provided for inhibiting the development of a cancer in a patient, comprising administering to a patient a biological sample treated as described above.

Methods are further provided, within other aspects, for stimulating and/or expanding T cells specific for a polypeptide of the present invention, comprising contacting T cells with one or more of: (i) a polypeptide as described above; (ii) a polypucleotide encoding such a polypeptide; and/or (iii) an antigen presenting cell that expresses such a polypeptide; under conditions and for a time sufficient to permit the stimulation and/or expansion of T cells. Isolated T cell populations comprising T cells prepared as described above are also provided.

Within further aspects, the present invention provides methods for inhibiting the development of a cancer in a patient, comprising administering to a patient an effective amount of a T cell population as described above.

The present invention further provides methods for inhibiting the development of a cancer in a patient, comprising the steps of: (a) incubating CD4⁺ and/or CD8⁺ T cells isolated from a patient with one or more of: (i) a polyreptide comprising at least an immunogenic portion of polypeptide disclosed herein; (i) a polynucleotide eacoding such a polypeptide; and (iii) an antigen-presenting cell that expressed such a polypeptide; and (b) administering to the patient an effective amount of the proliferated

T cells, and thereby inhibiting the development of a cancer in the patient. Proliferated cells may, but need not, be cloned prior to administration to the patient.

Within further aspects, the present invention provides methods for determining the presence or absence of a cancer, preferably a lung cancer, in a patient comprising: (a) contacting a biological sample obtained from a patient with a binding agent that binds to a polypeptide as recited above; (b) detecting in the sample an amount of polypeptide that binds to the binding agent; and (c) comparing the amount of polypeptide with a predetermined cut-off value, and therefrom determining the presence or absence of a cancer in the patient. Within preferred embodiments, the binding agent is an antibody, more preferably a monoclonal antibody.

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The present invention also provides, within other aspects, methods for monitoring the progression of a cancer in a patient. Such methods comprise the steps of:

(a) contacting a biological sample obtained from a patient at a first point in time with a binding agent that binds to a polypeptide as recited above; (b) detecting in the sample an amount of polypeptide that binds to the binding agent; (c) repeating steps (a) and (b) using a biological sample obtained from the patient at a subsequent point in time; and (d) comparing the amount of polypeptide detected in step (c) with the amount detected in step (b) and therefrom monitoring the progression of the cancer in the patient.

The present invention further provides, within other aspects, methods for determining the presence or absence of a cancer in a patient, comprising the steps of: (a) contacting a biological sample obtained from a patient with an oligonucleotide that hybridizes to a polynucleotide that encodes a polypeptide of the present invention; (b) detecting in the sample a level of a polynucleotide, preferably mRNA, that hybridizes to the oligonucleotide; and (c) comparing the level of polynucleotide that hybridizes to the oligonucleotide with a predetermined cut-off value, and therefrom determining the presence or absence of a cancer in the patient. Within certain embodiments, the amount of mRNA is detected via polymerase chain reaction using, for example, at least one oligonucleotide primer that hybridizes to a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide as recited above, or a complement of such a polynucleotide. Within other embodiments, the amount of mRNA is

detected using a hybridization technique, employing an oligonucleotide probe that hybridizes to a polynucleotide that encodes a polypeptide as resited above, or a complement of such a polynucleotide.

In related aspects, methods are provided for monitoring the progression of a cancer in a patient, comprising the steps of: (a) contacting a biological sample obtained from a patient with an oligonucleotide that hybridizes to a polynucleotide that encodes a polynucleotide of the present invention; (b) detecting in the sample an amount of a polynucleotide that hybridizes to the oligonucleotide; (c) repeating steps (a) and (b) using a biological sample obtained from the patient at a subsequent point in time; and (d) comparing the amount of polynucleotide detected in step (c) with the amount detected in step (b) and therefrom monitoring the progression of the cancer in the patient.

Within further aspects, the present invention provides antibodies, such as monoclonal antibodies, that bind to a polypeptide as descried above, as well as diagnostic kits comprising such antibodies. Diagnostic kits comprising one or more oligonucleotic probes or primers as described above are also provided.

These and other aspects of the present invention will become apparent upon reference to the following detailed description. All references disclosed herein are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety as if each was incorporated individually.

SEQUENCE IDENTIFIERS

20 SEQ ID NO: 1 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19038, also referred to as L845P.

SEQ ID NO: 2 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19036.

SEQ ID NO: 3 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19034.

SEO ID NO: 4 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19033.

SEO ID NO: 5 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19032.

SEO ID NO: 6 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19030, also referred to as L559S.

- SEQ ID NO: 7 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19029.
- SEQ ID NO: 8 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19025.
- SEQ ID NO: 9 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19023.
- SEQ ID NO: 10 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18929.
- 5 SEQ ID NO: 11 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19010.
 - SEQ ID NO: 12 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19009.
 - SEQ ID NO: 13 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19005 19007, 19016 and 19017.
 - SEQ ID NO: 14 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19004.
- 10 SEQ ID NO: 15 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19002 and 18965.
 - SEQ ID NO: 16 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18998.
 - SEQ ID NO: 17 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18997.
 - SEQ ID NO: 18 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18996.
 - SEQ ID NO: 19 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18995.
- 15 SEQ ID NO: 20 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18994, also known as L846P.
 - SEQ ID NO: 21 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18992.
 - SEQ ID NO: 22 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18991.
 - SEQ ID NO: 23 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18990, also referred to as clone #20111.
- 20 SEQ ID NO: 24 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18987.
 - SEQ ID NO: 25 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18985, also referred as L839P.
 - SEQ ID NO: 26 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18984, also referred to as L847P.
- 25 SEQ ID NO: 27 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18983.
 - SEQ ID NO: 28 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18976 and 18980.
 - SEQ ID NO: 29 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18975.
 - SEQ ID NO: 30 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18974.
 - SEQ ID NO: 31 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18973.

- SEQ ID NO: 32 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18972.
- SEQ ID NO: 33 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18971, also referred to as L801P.
- SEQ ID NO: 34 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18970.
- 5 SEQ ID NO: 35 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18966.
 - SEQ ID NO: 36 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18964, 13968 and 19039.
 - SEQ ID NO: 37 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18960.
 - SEQ ID NO: 38 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18959.
 - SEQ ID NO: 39 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18958 and 18982.
- 10 SEQ ID NO: 40 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18956 and 19015.
 - SEQ ID NO: 41 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18954, also referred to L848P.
 - SEQ ID NO: 42 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18951.
 - SEQ ID NO: 43 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18950.
- 15 SEQ ID NO: 44 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18949 and 19024, also referred to as L844P.
 - SEQ ID NO: 45 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18948.
 - SEQ ID NO: 46 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #1894", also referred to as L840P.
- 20 SEQ ID NO: 47 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18946 18953, 18969 and 19027.
 - SEQ ID NO: 48 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18942.
 - SEQ ID NO: 49 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18940, 18962, 18963, 19005, 19008, 19000, and 19031.
- 25 SEQ ID NO: 50 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18939.
 - SEQ ID NO: 51 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18938 and 18952.
 - SÉQ ID NO: 52 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18938.
 - SEQ ID NO: 53 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18937.

SEQ ID NO: 54 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18934, 18935, 18993 and 19022, also referred to as L548S.

SEQ ID NO: 55 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18932.

SEQ ID NO: 56 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #18931 and 18936.

5 SEQ ID NO: 57 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18930.

SEQ ID NO:58 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19014 (this sequence has homology to clone L773P, which is also described in co-pending U.S. application 09/285,479, filed April 2, 1999).

SEQ ID NO: 59 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19127.

10 SEQ ID NO: 60 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19057 and 19064.

SEQ ID NO: 61 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19122.

SEQ ID NO: 62 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19120 ar.d 18121.

SEQ ID NO: 63 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19118.

SEQ ID NO: 64 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19117.

15 SEQ ID NO: 65 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19116.

SEQ ID NO: 66 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19114.

SEQ ID NO: 67 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19112, also known as L561S

SEQ ID NO: 68 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19110.

SEQ ID NO: 69 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19107, also referred to as

20 L552S.

SEQ ID NO: 70 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19106, also referred to as L547S.

SEQ ID NO: 71 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19105 and 19111.

SEQ ID NO: 72 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19099.

25 SEO ID NO: 73 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19095, 19104 and 19125, also referred to as L549S.

SEQ ID NO: 74 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19094.

SEQ ID NO: 75 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19089 and 19101.

SEQ ID NO: 76 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19088.

SEQ ID NO: 77 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19087, 19092, 19096, 19100 and 19119.

SEQ ID NO: 78 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19086.

SEQ ID NO: 79 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19085, also referred to as 5 L550S.

SEQ ID NO: 80 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19084, also referred to as clone #19079.

SEQ ID NO: 81 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19082.

SEQ ID NO: 82 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19080.

10 SEQ ID NO: 83 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19077.

SEQ ID NO: 84 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19076 also referred to as L551S.

SEQ ID NO: 85 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19074 also referred to as clone #20102.

15 SEQ ID NO: 86 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19073 also referred to as L560S.

SEQ ID NO: 87 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19072 and 19115.

SEQ ID NO: 88 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19071.

SEQ ID NO: 89 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19070.

20 SEQ ID NO: 90 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19069.

SEQ ID NO: 91 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19068, also referred to L\$63S.

SEQ ID NO: 92 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19066.

SEQ ID NO: 93 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19065.

25 SEQ ID NO: 94 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19063.

SEQ ID NO: 95 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #1906... 19081, 19108 and 19109.

SEQ ID NO: 96 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19060, 19067 and 19083, also referred to as L548S.

SEQ ID NO: 97 is the determined cDNA sequence for clones #19059 and 19062. SEQ ID NO: 98 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19058. SEQ ID NO: 99 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19124. SEQ ID NO: 100 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone \$18929. SEQ ID NO: 101 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18422. SEQ ID NO: 102 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18425. SEQ ID NO: 103 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18431. SEQ ID NO: 104 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18433. SEQ ID NO: 105 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18444. SEQ ID NO: 106 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18449. SEQ ID NO: 107 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18451. SEQ ID NO: 108 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18452. SHQ ID NO: 109 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18455. SEQ ID NO: 110 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18457. SEQ ID NO: 111 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18466. SEQ ID NO: 112 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18468. SEQ ID NO: 113 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18471. SEQ ID NO: 114 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18475. SEQ ID NO: 115 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18476. SEQ ID NO: 116 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #18477. SEQ ID NO: 117 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20631. SEQ ID NO: 118 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20634. SEQ ID NO: 119 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20635. SEQ ID NO: 120 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20637. SEQ ID NO: 121 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20638. SEQ ID NO: 122 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20643. SEQ ID NO: 123 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20652.

SEQ ID NO: 124 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20653. SEQ ID NO: 125 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20657.

SEQ ID NO: 126 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20658. SEQ ID NO: 127 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20660. SEQ ID NO: 128 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20661. SEQ ID NO: 129 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20663. 5 SEQ ID NO: 130 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20665. SEQ ID NO: 131 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20670. SEQ ID NO: 132 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20671. SEQ ID NO: 133 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20672. SEQ ID NO: 134 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20675. SEQ ID NO: 135 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20679. SEQ ID NO: 136 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20681. SEQ ID NO: 137 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20682. SEQ ID NO: 138 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20684. SEQ ID NO: 139 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20685. 15 SEQ ID NO: 140 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20689. SEQ ID NO: 141 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20699. SEQ ID NO: 142 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20701. SEQ ID NO: 143 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20702. SEQ ID NO: 144 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20708. 20 SEQ ID NO: 145 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20715. SEQ ID NO: 146 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20716. SEQ ID NO: 147 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #20719. SEQ ID NO: 148 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19129. SEQ ID NO: 149 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19131.1. 25 SEQ ID NO: 150 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19132.2. SEQ ID NO: 151 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19133. SEQ ID NO: 152 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19134.2. SEQ ID NO: 153 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19135.2. SEQ ID NO: 154 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19137.

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 - SEQ ID NO: 172 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19159.
 - SEQ ID NO: 173 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19160.
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 - SEO ID NO: 176 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone #19162.1.
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- SEQ ID NO: 766 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26786.
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 - SEQ ID NO: 768 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26788.
 - SEQ ID NO: 769 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26790.
 - SEQ ID NO: 770 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26791.
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 - SEQ ID NO: 779 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26801.
 - SEQ ID NO: 780 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26802.
 - SEQ ID NO: 781 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26803.
- 20 SEQ ID NO: 782 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone 26804.
 - SEQ ID NO:783 is the amino acid sequence for L7731'.
 - SEO ID NO:784 is the determined DNA sequence of the L773P expression construct.
 - SEQ ID NO:785 is the determined DNA sequence of the L773PA expression construct.
 - SEQ ID NO: 786 is a predicted amino acid sequence for L552S.
- 25 SEQ ID NO: 787 is a predicted amino acid sequence for L840P.
 - SEQ ID NO: 788 is the full-length cDNA sequence for L548S.
 - SEQ ID NO: 789 is the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 788.
 - SEQ ID NO: 790 is an extended cDNA sequence for L552S.

SEQ ID NO: 791 is the predicted amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 790.

SEQ ID NO: 792 is the determined cDNA sequence for an isoform of L552S.

SEQ ID NO: 793 is the predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SE() ID NO: 792.

5 SEQ ID NO: 794 is an extended cDNA sequence for L840P.

SEQ ID NO: 795 is the predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ DI NO: 794.

SEQ ID NO: 796 is an extended cDNA sequence for L801P.

SEQ ID NO: 797 is a first predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 796.

SEQ ID NO: 798 is a second predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 796

10 SEQ ID NO: 799 is a third predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 796.

SEQ ID NO: 800 is the determined full-length sequence for L844P.

SHQ ID NO: 801 is the 5' consensus cDNA sequence for L551S.

SEQ ID NO: 802 is the 3' consensus cDNA sequence for L551S.

SEQ ID NO: 803 is the cDNA sequence for STY8.

15 SEQ ID NO: 804 is an extended cDNA sequence for L551S.

SEQ ID NO: 805 is the amino acid sequence for STY8.

SEQ ID NO: 806 is the extended amino acid sequence for L551S.

SEQ ID NO:807 is the determined full length cDNA sequence for L773P

SEQ ID NO: 808 is the full-length cDNA sequence of L552S.

20 SEQ ID NO: 809 is the full-length amino acid sequence of L552S.

SEQ ID NO: 810 is the determined cDNA sequence of clone 50989.

SEQ ID NO: 811 is the determined cDNA sequence of clone 50990.

SEO ID NO: 812 is the determined cDNA sequence of clone 50992.

SEQ ID NO: 813-824 are the determined cDNA sequences for clones isolated from lung tumor tissue.

SEQ ID NO: 825 is the determined cDNA sequence for the full-length L551S clone 54305.

SEQ ID NO: 826 is the determined cDNA sequence for the full-length L551S clone 54298.

SEO ID NO: 827 is the full-length amino acid sequence for L5518.

Tables 1-6 contain the sequence identifiers for SEQ ID NO:828-1664.

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Table 1A

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832	R0126:A08	872	R0126:E03
833	R0126:A09	873	R0126:E04
834	R0126:A10	874	R0126:E05
835	R0126:A11	875	R0126:E06
836	R0126:A12	876	R0126:E07
837	R0126:B01	877	R0126:E08
838	R0126:B03	878	R0126:E09
839	R0126:B04	879	R0126:E10
840	R0126:B05	880	R0126:E11
841	R0126:B06	881	R0126:E12
842	R0126:B07	882	R0126:F01
843	R0126:B07	883	R0126:F02
844	R0126:B09	884	R0126:F03
845	R0126:B11	885	R0126:F04
846	R0126:B12	886	R0126:F05
i 847	R0126:C01	887	R0126:F06
848	R0126:C02	888	R0126:F07
1 849	R0126:C03	889	R0126:F08
850	R0126:C05	890	R0126:F10
851	R0126:C06	891	R0126:F11
852	R0126:C07	892	R0126:F12
853	R0126:C08	893	R0126:G01
854	R0126:C09	894	R0126:G02
855	R0126:C10	895	R0126:G03
856	R0126:C11	896	R0126:G04
857	R0126:C12	897	R0126:G05
858	R0126:D01	898	R0126:G06
859	R0126:D01	899	JR0126:G07
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	R0126:D08	906	R0126:H03
866	R0126:D09	907	-
867	R0126:D10		R0126:H04
868	R0126:D11	908	R0126:H05
	K0126:D11	909	R0126:H06

Table 1B

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915	R0127:A02	955	R0127:E03
916	R0127:A05	956	R0127:E04
917	R0127:A06	957	R0127:E05
918	R0127:A07	958	R0127:E06
919	R0127:A08	955	R0127:E07
920	R0127:A09	960	R0127:E08
921	R0127:A10	961	R0127:E09
922	R0127:A11	962	R0127:E10
923	R0127:A12	963	R0127:E11
924	R0127:B01	964	R0127:F01
925	R0127:B03	965	R0127:F02
926	R0127:B04	966	R0127:F03
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928	R0127:B06	968	R0127:F05
929	R0127:B07	969	R0127:F06
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931	R0127:B09	971	R0127:F08
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932	R0127:B11	973	R0127:F11
933	R0127:B12	974	R0127:F12
934	R0127:C01	975	R0127:G01
935	R0127:C03	976	R0127:G02
936	R0127:C04	977	R0127:G02
937	R0127:C05	978	R0127:G04
938	R0127:C07	979	R0127:G05
939 940	R0127:C08	980	
941	R0127:C09	981	:30127:G06
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942	R0127:C09 R0127:C10 R0127:C11	981	R0127:G07
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997	R1027:H11	1039	R0128:E03
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1007	R1028:B03	1048	R0128:F02
1008	R1028:B03	1049	R0128:F03
1009	R1028:B05	1050	R0128:F04
1010	R1028:B08	1051	R0128:F06
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1012	R1028:B10	1053	R0128:F08
1013	R1028:B11	1054	R0128:F09
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1021	R1028:C07	1062	R0128:G06
1022	R1028:C08	1063	R0128:G07
1023	R1028:C10	1064	R0128:G09
1023	R1028:C11	1065	R0128:G10
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1082	R0130:A08	1123	R0130:E05
1083	R0130:A09	1124	R0130:E06
1084	R0130:A09	1125	R0130:E07
1085	R0130:A10	1126	R0130:E08
1086	R0130:A11	1127	R0130:E09
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1097	R0130:B11	1138	R0130:F10
1098	R0130:B12	1139	R0130:F11
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1104	R0130:C07	1145	R0130:G05
1105	R0130:C08	1146	R0130:G06
1106	R0130:C09	1147	R0130:G07
1107	R0130:C10	1148	R0130:G08
1108	R0130:C11	1149	R0130:G09
1109	R0130:C12	1150	R0130:G10
1110	R0130:D02	1151	R0130:G11
1111	R0130:D03	1152	R0130:G12
1112	R0130:D04	1153	R0130:H01
1113	R0130:D05	1154	:R0130:H02
1113	R0130:D06	1155	R0130:H04
****	R0130:D07	1156	R0130:H05

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER
1115	R0130:D09	1157	-
1116	R0130:D10	1158	R0130:H06
1117	R0130:D11		R0130:H07
	10150.011	1159	R0130:H08



	SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE
ļ	1160	R0130:H09	1200	IDENTIFIER
4	1161	R0130:H10	1200	R0131:E01
1	1162	R0130:H11	1201	R0131:E02
1	1163	R0131:A02	1202	R0131:E03
1	1164	R0131:A05		R0131:E04
1	1165	R0131:A06	1204 1205	R0131:E06
1	1166	R0131:A07		R0131:E07
	1167	R0131:A08	1206	R0131:E08
11	1168	R0131:A09		R0131:E10
1	1169	R0131:A11	1208	R0131:E11
Li_	1170	R0131:A12	1210	R0131:E12
1	1171	R0131:B02	1210	R0131:F02
	1172	R0131:B03		R0131:F04
	1173	R0131:B04	1212	R0131:F05
1	1174	R0131:B05	1213	R0131:F06
	1175	R0131:B07	1214	R0131:F07
	1176	R0131:B08	1215	R0131:F08
1	1177	R0131:B09	1216	R0131:F09
Li_	1178	R0131:B10	1217	R0131:F10
1	1179	R0131.B11	1218 1219	R0131:F11
Li_	1180	R0131:C01	1219	R0131:F12
4	1181	R0131:C02	1221	R0131:G01
	1182	R0131:C03	1222	R0131:G02
1	1183	R0131:C04	1223	R0131:G03
1	1184	R0131:C06	1223	R0131:G04
4	1185	R0131:C07	1225	R0131:G05
	1186	R0131:C08	1226	R0131:G06
+	1187	R0131:C10	1227	R0131:G07
-	1188	R0131:C11	1228	R0131:G08
	1189	R0131:C12	1229	R0131:G09
<u> </u>	1190	R0131:D02	1230	R0131:G10
┷	1191	R0131:D03	1231	R0131:G11
	1192	R0131:D04	1232	R0131:G12
1	1193	R0131:D05	1233	R0131:H01
+-	1194	R0131:D06	1234	R0131:H02
1_	1195	R0131:D07	1235	R0131:H05
1	1196	R0131:D09	1236	R0131:H06
1_	1197	R0131:D10	1236	R0131:H07
 	1198	R0131:D11	1237	R0131:H08
!			1436	30131:H09

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE
1199	R0131:D12	1239	IDENTIFIER
		1237	R0131:H11

Table 2:
Clone names for NSCLC-SQL1 and corresponding SEQ ID NOs

SEQ ID NO	CLONE
	IDENTIFIER
1240	Contig 54
1241	Contig 55
1242	Contig 57
1243	Contig 58
1244	Contig 60
1245	Contig 62
1246	Contig 63
1247	Contig 64
1248	Contig 65
1249	Contig 66
1250	Contig 67
1251	Contig 68
1252	Contig 69
1253	Contig 70
1254	Contig 71
1255	Contig 72
1256	Contig 73
1257	Contig 74
1258	Contig 75
1259	Contig 77
1260	Contig 78
1261	Contig 79
1262	Contig 80
1263	Contig 81
1264	Contig 83
1265	Contig 84
1266	Contig 86
1267	Contig 87
1268	Contig 88
1269	Contig 89
1270	Contig 90
1271	Contig 91
1272	Contig 92
1273	Contig 94
1274	Contig 95
1275	Contig 96
1276	Contig 97
1277	Contig 98

SEO ID NO	CLONE
	IDENTIFIER
1278	Contig 99
1279	Contig 100

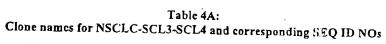
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Table 3: Clone names for NSCLC-SCLI and corresponding SEQ 1D NOs

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SEQ ID NO	CLONE	
	IDENTIFIER	
1280	Contig 38	
1281	Contig 39	
1282	Contig 40	
1283	Contig 41	
1284	Contig 42	
1285	Contig 43	
1286	Contig 44	
1287	Contig 45	
1288	Contig 46	
1289	Contig 47	
1290	Contig 48	
1291	Contig 49	
1292	Contig 51	
1293	Contig 52	
1294	Contig 53	
1295	Contig 54	
1296	Contig 55	
1297	Contig 56	
1298	Contig 57	
1299	Contig 58	
1300	Contig 59	
1301	Contig 60	
1302	Contig 62	
1303	Contig 63	
1304	Contig 64	
1305	Contig 65	
1306	Contig 66	
1307	Contig 67	
1308	Contig 68	
1309	Contig 69	
1310	Contig 70	
1311	Contig 72	
1312	Contig 73	
1313	Contig 75	
1314	Contig 76	
1315	Contig 77	
1316	Contig 78	
1317	Contig 79	

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER
1318	Contig 80
1319	Contig 81
1320	Contig 82



SEQ ID NO	CLONE	SEQ ID NO	OT COL
	IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE
1321	Contig 94	1363	IDENTIFIER
1322	Contig 95	1364	Contig 136
1323	Contig 96		Contig 137
1324	Contig 97	1365	Contig 138
1325	Contig 98	1366	Contig 139
1326	Contig 99	1367	Contig 140
1327		1368	Contig 141
1328	Contig 100	1369	Contig 142
1329	Contig 101	1370	Contig 143
1330	Contig 102	1371	Contig 144
1331	Contig 103	1372	Contig 145
	Contig 104	1373	Contig 146
1332	Contig 105	1374	Contig 147
1333	Contig 106	1375	Contig 148
1334	Contig 107	1376	Contig 149
1335	Contig 108	1377	Contig 150
1336	Contig 109	1378	Contig 151
1337	Contig 110	1379	Contig 152
1338	Contig 111	1380	Contig 153
1339	Contig 112	1381	Contig 154
1340	Contig 113	1382	Contig 155
1341	Contig 114	1383	Contig 156
1342	Contig 115	1384	Contig 157
1343	Contig 116	1385	Contig 158
1344	Contig 117	1386	Contig 159
1345	Contig 118	1387	Contig 160
1346	Contig 119	1388	Contig 161
1347	Contig 120	1389	Contig 162
1348	Contig 121	1390	Contig 163
1349	Contig 122	1391	Contig 164
1350	Contig 123	1392	Contig 165
1351	Contig 124	1393	Contig 166
1352	Contig 125	1394	Contig 167
1353	Contig 126	1395	Contig 168
1354	Contig 127	1396	Contig 169
1355	Contig 128	1397	
1356	Contig 129	1398	Contig 170
1357	Contig 130	1399	Contig 171
1358	Contig 131	1400	Contig 172
		1400	Contig 173

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER
1359	Contig 132	1401	Contig 174
1360	Contig 133	1402	Contig 175
1361	Contig 134	1403	Contig 176
1362	Contig 135		

Table 4B: Clone names for NSCLC-SCL3-SCL4 and corresponding SEQ ID NOs

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER
1404	Contig 177
1405	Contig 178
1406	Contig 179
1407	Contig 180
1408	Contig 181
1409	Contig 182
1410	Contig 183
1411	Contig 184
1412	Contig 185
1413	Contig 186
1414	Contig 187

Table 5: Clone names for SCLC-SQL1 and corresponding SEQ ID NOs

SEQ ID NO	CT ONE	
SEQ 10 NO	CLONE	
1415	IDENTIFIER	
	Contig 17	
1416	Contig 18	
1417	Contig 20	
1418	Contig 23	
1419	Contig 24	
1420	Contig 25	
1421	Contig 26	
1422	Contig 27	
1423	Contig 28	
1424	Contig 29	
1425	Contig 30	
1426	Contig 31	
1427	Contig 20	
1428	Contig 21	
1429	Contig 22	
1430	Contig 23	
1431	Contig 24	
1432	Contig 25	
1433	Contig 26	
1434	Contig 27	
1435	Contig 28	
1436	Contig 29	
1437	Contig 30	
1438	Contig 31	
1439	Contig 32	
1440	Contig 33	
1441	Contig 34	
1442	Contig 35	
1443	Contig 36	
1444	Contig 37	
1445	Contig 38	
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Table 6A:
Clone names for SCLC-SCL3-SCL4 and corresponding SEQ ID NOs

CEO ID NO			g Q 1.05
SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE
1446	Contig 116		IDENTIFIER
1447	Contig 117	1488	Contig 160
1448	Contig 118	1489	Contig 161
1449		1490	Contig 162
1450	Contig 119	1491	Contig 163
1451	Contig 120	1492	Contig 164
1452	Contig 122	1493	Contig 165
1453	Contig 123	1494	Contig 166
1454	Contig 124	1495	Contig 167
1455	Contig 125	1496	Contig 168
1456	Contig 126	1497	Contig 169
1457	Contig 127	1498	Contig 170
1458	Contig 128	1499	Contig 171
1459	Contig 129	1500	Contig 172
1460	Contig 130	1501	Contig 173
1461	Contig 131	1502	Contig 174
1462	Contig 132	1503	Contig 175
1463	Contig 133	1504	Contig 176
1464	Contig 135	1505	Contig 177
1465	Contig 136	1506	Contig 178
1466	Contig 137	1507	Contig 179
1467	Contig 138	1508	Contig 181
	Contig 139 (L985P)	1509	Contig 182
1468 1469	Contig 140	1510	Contig 183
1470	Contig 141	1511	Contig 184
1471	Contig 142	1512	Contig 185
1472	Contig 143	1513	Contig 186
1472	Contig 144	1514	Contig 187
1474	Contig 145	1515	Contig 189
1475	Contig 146	1516	Contig 190
1475	Contig 147	1517	Contig 191
	Contig 148	1518	Contig 192
1477	Contig 149	1519	Contig 193
1478	Contig 150	1520	Contig 194
1479 1480	Contig 151	1521	Contig 195
1480	Contig 152	. 1522	Contig 196
1481	Contig 153	1523	Contig 197
	Contig 154	1524	Contig 198
1483	Contig 155	1525	Contig 199

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO	CLONE
1484	Contig 156	1526	DENTIFIER
1485	Contig 157	1527	Contig 200
1486	Contig 158	1528	Contig 201
1487	Contig 159	1320	Contig 202

Table 6B: Clone names for SCLC-SCL3-SCL4 and corresponding SDQ ID NOs

SEQ ID NO	CLONE
	IDENTIFIER
1529	Contig 203
1530	Contig 204
1331	Contig 205
1532	Contig 206
1533	Contig 207
1534	Contig 208
1535	Contig 209
1536	Contig 210
1537	Contig 211
1538	Contig 212
1539	Contig 213
1540	Contig 214
1541	
1542	Contig 216
1543	Contig 217
1544	Contig 218
1545	Contig 219
1546	Contig 220
1547	Contig 221
1548	Contig 222
1549	Contig 223
1550	Contig 224
1551	Contig 225
1552	. Contig 226
1553	Contig 227
1554	Contig 228
1555	Contig 229
1556	Contig 230
1557	Contig 231
1558	Contig 232
1559	Contig 233
1560	Contig 234
1561	Contig 235
1562	Contig 236
1563	Contig 237

Table 7.

SEQ ID NO:	CLONE IDENTIFIER	SEQ ID NO:	CLONE
1564	R0124:E05	1600	IDENTIFIER
1565	R0124:E06	1609	R0129:D09
1566	R0124:E08	1610	R0129:D10
1567	R0124:E08	1611	R0129:D11
1568	R0124:F07	1612	R0129:E02
1569	R0124:F09	1613	R0129:E03
1570	R0124:F09 R0124:G04	1614	R0129:E04
1571	R0129:A02	1615	R0129:E05
1572	R0129:A02	1616	R0129:E06
1573	R0129:A06	1617	R0129:E07
1574	R0129:A06	1618	R0129:E08
1575	R0129:A07	1619	R0129:E09
1576	R0129:A08	1620	R0129:E11
1577	R0129:A10	1621	R0129:E12
1578		1622	R0129:F01
1579	R0129:A11	1623	R0129:F02
1580	R0129:A12	1624	R0129:F03
1581	R0129:B02	1625	R0129:F04
1582	R0129:B03	1626	R0129:F06
1583	R0129:B04	1627	R0129:F07
1584	R0129:B05	1628	R0129:F08
1585	R0129:B06	1629	R0129:F09
1586	R0129:B07	1630	R0129:F10
1587	R0129:B08	1631	R0129:F11
1588	R0129:B09	1632	R0129:F12
1589	R0129:B10	1633	R0129:G01
1590	R0129:B11	1634	R0129:G02
1591	R0129:B12	1635	R0129:G03
1592	R0129:C01	1636	R0129:G04
1593	R0129:C02	1637	R0129:G05
1594	R0129:C03	1638	R0129:G06
1595	R0129:C04	1639	R0129:G07
1596	R0129:C06	1640	R0129:G08
1597	R0129:C07	1641	R0129:G09
1598	R0129:C08	1642	R0129:G10
1599	R0129:C09	1643	R0129:G11
1600	R0129:C10	1644	R0129:G12
1601	R0129:C11	1645	R0129:H01
1602	R0129:C12	1646	R0129:H02
.002	R0129:D01	1647	R0129:H03

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1603	R0129:D03	1648	DAILS III
1604	R0129:D04		R0129:H04
1605	R0129:D05	1649	R0129:H05
1606		1650	R0129:H08
1607	R0129:D06	1651	R0129:H09
	R0129:D07	1652	R0129:H10
1608	R0129:D08	1653	
		1055	R0129:H11

Table 8

SEQ ID NO:	CLONE
	IDENTIFIER
1654	26484
1655	26496
1656	26517
1657	26531
1658	26022
1659	26026
1660	26810
1661	26815
1662	265,9
1663	26883
1664	26902

SEQ ID NOs:1665 and 1666 are primers used in the amplification of the coding region of L548S

- SEQ ID NO:1667 is the protein sequence of expressed recombinant L7:48S.
- SEQ ID NO:1668 is the cDNA sequence of expressed recombinant L7548S.
- SEQ ID NO:1669 is the extended cDNA sequence of clone #18971 (L801P).
- SEQ ID NO:1670 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame ORF4 encoded by
- 10 SEQ ID NO:1669.
 - SEQ ID NO:1671 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame ORF5 encoded by
 - SEQ ID NO:1669.
 - SEQ ID NO:1672 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame ORF6 encoded by
 - SEQ ID NO:1669.
- 15 SEQ ID NO:1673 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame ORF7 encoded by
 - SEQ ID NO:1669.
 - SEQ ID NO:1674 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame ORF8 encoded by
 - SEQ ID NO:1669.
 - SEQ ID NO:1675 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame ORF9 encoded by
- 20 SEQ ID NO:1669.
 - SEQ ID NO:1676 is the extended cDNA for contig 139 (SEQ ID NO:1457), also known as L985P.

SEQ ID NO:1677 is the L985P amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1676.

SEQ ID NO: 1678 is the amino acid sequence of open reading frame CRF5X of SEQ ID NO:1669.

SEQ ID NO: 1679 is the amino acid sequence of an open reading frame for contig 139 (\$EQ ID NO:1467).

SEQ ID NOs: 1680-1788, set forth in the table below, represent cDNA clones identified by microarray analysis of the SQL1, SCL1, SCL3 and SCL4 libraries on lung chip 5.

SEQ ID NO:	CLONE IDENTIFIER
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1681	58458
1682	58462
1683	58469
1684	58470
1685	58482
1686	58485
1687	58501
1688	58502
1689	. 58505
1690	58507
1691	58509
1692	58512
1693	58527
1694	58529
1695	58531
1696	58537
1697	58539
1698	58545
1699	59319
1700	59322
1701	59348
1702	59350
1703	59363
1704	59365
1705	59370
1706	59373
1707	59376
1708	61050

SEQ ID NO	CLONE IDENTIFIE	
1709	61051	
1710	61052	
1711	61054	
1712	61056	
1713	61057	
1714	61060	
1715	61062	
1716	61063	
1717	61064	
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1728	61081	
1729	61083	
1730	61085	
1731	61086	
1732	61088	
1733	61090	
1734	61091	
1735	61093	
1736	61094	
1737	61096	
1738	61097	
1739	61099	
1740	61100	
1741	61103	
1742	61105	
1743	61106	
1744	61110	
1745	61113	
1746	61115	
1747	61117	
1748	61118	

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SEQ ID NO:	CLONE IDENTIFIER
1749	61119
1750	61120
1751	61122
1752	61125
1753	61126
1754	61130
1755	61133
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1758	61137
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1760	61143
1761	61144
1762	61148
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1764	61155
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1766	61159
1767	61160
1768	61163
1769	61167
1770	61172
1771	61173
1772	61176
1773	61177
1774	61183
1775	61185
1776	61188
1777	61192
1778	61198
1779	61201
1780	61202
1781	61204
1782	61206
1783	61210
1784	61212
1785	61216
1786	61225
1 78 7	61226
1788	61227

- . SEQ ID NO:1789 is the cDNA sequence of clone #47988 (L972P).
- SEQ ID NO:1790 is the cDNA sequence of clone #18005 (L979P).
- SEQ ID NO:1791 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #48005 (L:)79P).
- 5 SEQ ID NO:1792 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #49826 (SEQ ID NO:1279; L980P).
 - SEQ ID NO:1793 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #20631 (SEQ ID NO:117; LP73P).
- SEQ ID NO:1794 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #20661 (SEQ ID NO:128; 10 L974P).
 - SEQ ID NO:1795 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #50430 (SE.Q ID NO:1442; L.996P).
 - SEQ ID NO:1796 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #26961 (SE() ID NO:288; L977P).
- 15 SEQ ID NO:1797 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #24928 (SEC) ID NO:1339; L978P).
 - SEQ ID NO:1798 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #50507 (SEQ ID NO:1446; L984P).
- SEQ ID NO:1799 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #50645 (SEC ID NO:1531; 20 L988P).
- SEQ ID NO:1800 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #50628 (SEQ ID NO:1533; L1#23P).
 - SEQ ID NO:1801 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #50560 (SEQ ID NO:1527; L987P).
- 25 SEQ ID NO:1802 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #27699 (SE() ID NO:468; L998P).
 - SEQ ID NO:1803 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #59303 (SEQ ID NO:949; L1425P).

- SEQ ID NO:1804 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #69314 (SEQ ID NO:1156; L1426P).
- SEQ ID NO:1805 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #59298 (SEQ ID NO:921; L1427P).
- 5 SEQ ID NO: 1806 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1791.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1807 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1792.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1808 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1793.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1809 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 194.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1810 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 795.
- 10 SEQ ID NO: 1811 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1796.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1812 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1797.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1813 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1"98.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1814 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1"99.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1815 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1800.
- 15 SEQ ID NO: 1816 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1:27 (L987P).
 - SEQ ID NO: 1817 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1823.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1818 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1801.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1819 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1802.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1820 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1803.
- 20 SEQ ID NO: 1821 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1804.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1822 is an amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1805.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1823 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #50560 (SE() ID NO:1527; L987P).
 - SEQ ID NO: 1824 is a full length cDNA sequence for clone L872P (SEQ ID NO:34).
- 25 SEQ ID NO: 1825 is the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:18:24.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1826 is the cDNA sequence encoding the N-terminal portion of L552S.
 - SED ID NO: 1827-1829 are cDNA sequences of portions of L552S.
 - SEQ ID NO: 1830 is the N-terminal portion of L552S.

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SEQ ID NO: 1831-1833 are the amino acid sequences encoded by SE() ID NO: 1827-1829, respectively.

SEQ ID NO: 1834-1856 are the amino acid sequences of peptides of L548S.

SEQ ID NO: 1857-1860 are PCR primers.

5 SEQ ID NO: 1861 is the determined DNA sequence for a fusion of Ra12 and ORF4 of P801P.

SEQ ID NO: 1862 is the determined DNA sequence for a fusion of Ral2 and ORF5 of P801P.

SEQ ID NO: 1863 is the amino acid sequence of the fusion of Ral2 and ORF4 of P801P.

10 SEQ ID NO: 1864 is the amino acid sequence of the fusion of Ral2 and ORF5 of P801P.

SEQ ID NO:1865 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone L984P_(573A).

SEQ ID NO:1866 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone L984P_(512A).

SEQ ID NO:1867 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone L984P_(NCI-H128).

SEQ ID NO:1868 is the determined cDNA sequence for clone L984P_(DMS-79).

15 SEQ ID NO:1869 is the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1865.

SEQ ID NO:1870 is the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1866.

SEQ ID NO:1871 is the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1867.

SEQ ID NO:1872 is the amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO: 1868.

SEQ ID NO:1873 is a full length cDNA sequence for clone L985P (partial sequence given

20 ih SEQ ID NO:1467).

SEQ ID NO:1874 is the amino acid sequence for L985P encoded by SEQ ID NO:1873.

SEQ ID NO:1875 is the predicted and determined cDNA sequence for a fusion of Ra12 and

1985P.SEQ ID NO:1876 is the predicted amino acid sequence of a fusion of Ral2 and 1985P encoded by SEQ ID NO:1875.

25 SEQ ID NO:1877 is the predicted cDNA sequence for a fusion of Ra12S and L985P.

SEQ ID NO:1878 is the predicted amino acid sequence of a fusion of Ra12S and L985P encoded by SEQ ID NO:1877.

\$EQ ID NO:1879 is the predicted cDNA sequence for a fusion of Ra12S and L985PEx.

- SEQ ID NO:1880 is the predicted amino acid sequence of a fusion of Ra12S and L985PEx encoded by SEQ ID NO:1879.
- SEQ ID NO:1881 is the predicted cDNA sequence the extracellular loop 2 peptide of L985P.
- 5 SEQ ID NO:1882 is the predicted amino acid sequence for the extracellular loop 2 peptide of L985P encoded by SEQ ID NO:1875.
 - SEQ ID NO:1883 is an extended cDNA sequence for clone #59316 (SEQ ID NO:1180; L428P).
- SEQ ID NO:1884 is a first predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF1.
 - SEQ ID NO:1885 is a second predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF2.
 - SEQ ID NO:1886 is a third predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF3.
- 15 SEQ ID NO:1887 is a fourth predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF4.
 - SEQ ID NO:1888 is a fifth predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF5.
- SEQ ID NO:1889 is a sixth predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF6.
 - SEQ ID NO:1890 is a seventh predicted amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1883 and designated L1428P-ORF7.
 - SEQ ID NO:1891-1900- are the nucleotide sequences for the database hits described in Table 16.
- 25 SEQ ID NO:1901-1909 are the deduced amino acid sequences encoded by the nucleotide sequences described in Table 16.
 - SEQ ID NO:1910 is the full-length cDNA for clone L1437P (partial sequence given in SEQ ID NO:1896).
 - SEQ ID NO:1911 is the forward primer PDM-433 for the coding region of clone L548S.

SEQ ID NO:1912 is the reverse primer PDM-438 for the coding region of clone L548S.

SEQ ID NO:1913 is the amino acid sequence for the expressed recomb nant L548S.

SEQ ID NO:1914 is the DNA coding sequence for the recombinant L514S.

SEQ ID NO:1915 is the forward primer PDM-498 for the coding region of clone L551S

5 SEQ ID NO:1916 is the reverse primer PDM-499 for the coding region of clone L551S

SEQ ID NO:1917 is the amino acid sequence for the expressed recombinant L551S.

SEQ ID NO:1918 is the DNA coding sequence for the recombinant L551S.

SEQ ID NO:1919 is the forward primer PDM-479 for the coding region of clone L552S

SEQ ID NO:1920 is the reverse primer PDM-480 for the c. ding region of clone L552S

10 SEQ ID NO:1921 is the amino acid sequence for the expressed recombinant L552S.

SEQ ID NO:1922 is the DNA coding sequence for the recombinant L552S.

SEQ ID NO:1923 is the predicted full-length cDNA sequence for clone #19069 (panial sequence given in SEQ ID NO:90).

SEQ ID NO:1924 is the predicted full-length cDNA sequence for clone #18965 or #19002 (partial sequence given in SEO ID NO:15)

SEQ ID NO:1925 is the deduced amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1923.

SEQ ID NO:1926 is the deduced amino acid sequence encoded by SEQ ID NO:1924.

20 DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

The present invention is directed generally to compositions and their use in the therapy and diagnosis of cancer, particularly lung cancer. As described further below, illustrative compositions of the present invention include, but are not restricted to polypeptides, particularly immunogenic polypeptides, polynucleotides encoding such polypeptides, antibodies and other binding agents, antigen presenting cells (APCs) and immune system cells (e.g., T cells).

The practice of the present invention will employ, unless indicated specifically to the contrary, conventional methods of virology, immunology, microbiology molecular biology and recombinant DNA techniques within the skill of the art, many of

which are described below for the purpose of illustration. Such techniques are explained fully in the literature. See, e.g., Sambrook, et al. Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (2nd Edition, 1989); Maniatis et al. Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual (1982); DNA Cloning: A Practical Approach, vol. I & II (D. Glover, ed.); Oligonucleotide Synthesis (N. Gait, ed., 1984); Nucleic Acid Hybridization (B. Hames & S. Hüggins, eds., 1985); Transcription and Translation (B. Hames & S. Hüggins, eds., 1984); Animal Cell Culture (R. Freshney, ed., 1986); Perbal, A Practical Guide to Molecular Cloning (1984).

All publications, patents and patent applications cited herein, whether surira or infra, are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.

As used in this specification and the appended claims, the singular forms "a." "an" and "the" include plural references unless the content clearly distates otherwise.

Polypeptide Compositions

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As used herein, the term "polypeptide" " is used in its conventional meaning, i.e., as a sequence of amino acids. The polypeptides are not limited to a specific length of the product; thus, peptides, oligopeptides, and proteins are included within the definition of polypeptide, and such terms may be used interchangeably herein unless specifically indicated otherwise. This term also does not refer to or exclude post-expression modifications of the polypeptide, for example, glycosylations, acetylations, phosphorylations and the like, as well as other modifications known in the art, both naturally occurring and non-naturally occurring. A polypeptide may be an entire protein, or a subsequence thereof. Particular polypeptides of interest in the context of this invention are amino acid subsequences comprising epitopes, i.e., antigenic determinants substantially responsible for the immunogenic properties of a polypeptide and being capable of evoking an immune response.

Particularly illustrative polypeptides of the present invention comprise those encoded by a polynucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765,

767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890, or a sequence that hybridizes under moderately stringent conditions, or, alternatively, ander highly stringent conditions, to a polynucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788,790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1705, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890. Certain other illustrative polypepticles of the invention comprise amino acid sequences as set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs: 324-340, 786, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797-799, 805, 806, 809, 827, 1667, 1670-1675, 1677-1679, 1806-1822, 1825, 1830-1833, 1834-1856, 1869-1872 and 1874.

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The polypeptides of the present invention are sometimes herein referred to as lung tumor proteins or lung tumor polypeptides, as an indication that their identification has been based at least in part upon their increased levels of expression in lung tumor samples. Thus, a "lung tumor polypeptide" or "lung tumor protein," refers generally to a polypeptide sequence of the present invention, or a polynucleotide sequence encoding such a polypeptide, that is expressed in a substantial proportion of lung tumor samples, for example preferably greater than about 20%, more preferably greater than about 30%, and most preferably greater than about 50% or more of lung tumor samples tested, at a level that is at least two fold, and preferably at least five fold, greater than the level of expression in normal tissues, as determined using a representative assay provided herein. A lung tumor polypeptide sequence of the invention, based upon its increased level of expression in tumor cells, has particular utility both as a diagnostic marker as well as a therapeutic target, as further described below.

In certain preferred embodiments, the polypeptides of the invention are immunogenic, i.e., they react detectably within an immunoassay (such as an ELISA or Tell stimulation assay) with antisera and/or T-cells from a patient with lung cancer. Screening for immunogenic activity can be performed using techniques well known to the skilled artisan. For example, such screens can be performed using methods such as those described in Harlow and Lane, Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor

Laboratory, 1988. In one illustrative example, a polypeptide may be immobilized on a solid support and contacted with patient sera to allow binding of antibodies within the sera to the immobilized polypeptide. Unbound sera may then be removed and bound antibodies detected using, for example, 125 I-labeled Protein A.

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As would be recognized by the skilled artisan, immunogenic portions of the polypeptides disclosed herein are also encompassed by the present invention. "Immunogenic portion," as used herein, is a fragment of an immunogenic polypeptide of the invention that itself is immunologically reactive (i.e., specifically binds) with the Bcells and/or T-cell surface antigen receptors that recognize the polypepiide. Immunogenic portions may generally be identified using well known techniques, such as those summarized in Paul, Fundamental Immunology, 3rd ed., 243-247 (Raven Press, 1993) and references cited therein. Such techniques include screening polypeptides for the ability to react with antigen-specific antibodies, antisera and/or T-cell lines or clones. As used herein, antisera and antibodies are "antigen-specific" if they specifically bind to an antigen 15 (i.e., they react with the protein in an ELISA or other immunoassay, and do not react defectably with unrelated proteins). Such antisera and antibodies may be prepared as described herein, and using well-known techniques.

In one preferred embodiment, an immunogenic portion of a polypeptide of the present invention is a portion that reacts with antisera and/or T-cells at a level that is not substantially less than the reactivity of the full-length polypeptide (e.g., in an ELISA and/or T-dell reactivity assay). Preferably, the level of immunogenic activity of the immunogenic portion is at least about 50%, preferably at least about 70% and most preferably greater than about 90% of the immunogenicity for the full-length polypeptide. In some instances, preferred immunogenic portions will be identified that have a level of immunogenic activity greater than that of the corresponding full-length polypeptide, e.g., having greater than about 100% or 150% or more immunogenic activity.

In certain other embodiments, illustrative immunogenic portions may include peptides in which an N-terminal leader sequence and/or transmembrane domain have been deleted. Other illustrative immunogenic portions will contain a small N- and/or

C-terminal deletion (e.g., 1-30 amino acids, preferably 5-15 amino acids), relative to the nature protein.

In another embodiment, a polypeptide composition of the invention may also comprise one or more polypeptides that are immunologically reactive with T cells and/or antibodies generated against a polypeptide of the invention, particularly a polypeptide having an amino acid sequence disclosed herein, or to an immunogenic fragment or variant thereof.

In another embodiment of the invention, polypeptides are provided that comprise one or more polypeptides that are capable of eliciting T coals and/or antibodies that are immunologically reactive with one or more polypeptides described herein, or one or more polypeptides encoded by contiguous nucleic acid sequences contained in the polynucleotide sequences disclosed herein, or immunogenic fragments or variants thereof, or to one or more nucleic acid sequences which hybridize to one or more of these sequences under conditions of moderate to high stringency.

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15 The present invention, in another aspect, provides polypeptide fragments comprising at least about 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 50, or 100 contiguous amino acids, or more, including all intermediate lengths, of a polypeptide compositions set forth herein, such as those set forth in SEQ ID NOs:324-340, 786, 787, 789, 791, 793, 795, 797-799, 805, 806, 809, 827, 1667, 1670-1675, 1677-1679, 1806-1822, 1825, 1830-1833, 1834-1856, 1869-20 1872 and 1874, or those encoded by a polynucleotide sequence set forth in a sequence of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788,790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 8 0-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890.

In another aspect, the present invention provides variants of the polypeptide compositions described herein. Polypeptide variants generally encompassed by the present invention will typically exhibit at least about 70%, 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 91%, 92%, 93%, 94%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98%, or 99% or more identity (determined as described below), along its length, to a polypeptide sequences set forth herein.

In one preferred embodiment, the polypoptide fragments and variants provide by the present invention are immunologically reactive with an antibody and/or T-cell that reacts with a full-length polypeptide specifically set for the herein.

In another preferred embodiment, the polypeptide fragments and variants provided by the present invention exhibit a level of immunogenic activity of at least about 50%, preferably at least about 70%, and most preferably at least about 90% or more of that exhibited by a full-length polypeptide sequence specifically set forth herein.

A polypeptide "variant," as the term is used herein, a a polypeptide that typically differs from a polypeptide specifically disclosed herein in one or more substitutions, deletions, additions and/or insertions. Such variants may be naturally occurring or may be synthetically generated, for example, by modifying one or more of the above polypeptide sequences of the invention and evaluating their immunogenic activity as described herein and/or using any of a number of techniques well known in the art.

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For example, certain illustrative variants of the polypepti les of the invention include those in which one or more portions, such as an N-terminal leader sequence or transmembrane domain, have been removed. Other illustrative variants include variants in which a small portion (e.g., 1-30 amino acids, preferably 5-15 amino acids) has been removed from the N- and/or C-terminal of the mature protein.

In many instances, a variant will contain conservative substitutions. A "conservative substitution" is one in which an amino acid is substituted for another amino acid that has similar properties, such that one skilled in the art of peptide chemistry would expect the secondary structure and hydropathic nature of the polypeptide to be substantially unchanged. As described above, modifications may be made in the structure of the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the present invention and still obtain a functional molecule that encodes a variant or derivative polypeptide with desirable characteristics, e.g., with immunogenic characteristics. When it is desired to alter the artino acid sequence of a polypeptide to create an equivalent, or even an improved, immunogenic variant or portion of a polypeptide of the invention, one skilled in the art will typically change one or more of the codons of the encoding DNA sequence according to Table 9.

For example, certain amino acids may be substituted for other amino acids in a protein structure without appreciable loss of interactive binding capacity with structures such as, for example, antigen-binding regions of antibodies or binding sites on substrate molecules. Since it is the interactive capacity and nature of a protein that defines that protein's biological functional activity, certain amino acid sequence substitutions can be made in a protein sequence, and, of course, its underlying DNA coding sequence, and nevertheless obtain a protein with like properties. It is thus contemplated that various changes may be made in the peptide sequences of the disclosed compositions, or corresponding DNA sequences which encode said peptides without appreciable loss of their biological utility or activity.

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TABLE 9

Amino			<u> </u>					
Alanine	Ala	A	GCA		Codon			
Cysteine	Cys	C	UGC	GCC UGU	GCG	GCU		
Aspartic acid	Asp	D	GAC	GAU				
Glutamic acid	Glu	E	GAA	GAG				
Phenylalanine	Phe	F	UUC	บบบ				
G yeine	Gly	G	GGA	GGC	GGG	(1.75)		
Histidine	His	Н	CAC	CAU	Job	GSU		
Ispleucine	Ile	I	AUA	AUC	AUU			
Lysine	Lys	K	AAA	AAG	700			
Loucine	Leu	L	UUA	UUG	CUA	CIJC	CUC	
Methionine	Met	М	AUG		COA	CIT	CUG	CU
Asparagine	Asn	N	AAC	AAU				
Proline	Pro	P	CCA	CCC	CCG	CCU		1
Jutamine	Gln	Q	CAA	CAG				
Adginine	Arg	R	AGA	AGG	CGA	CGC	CGG	
crine	Set	s	AGC	AGU	UCA	UCC	UCG	CGL
hreonine	Thr	T	ACA	ACC	ACG	ACU	JCG	UCL
aline	Val	V	GUA	GUC	GUG	GUTU		!
ryptophan	Тгр	w	UGG			5.70		ì
vrosine	Тут	Y	UAC	UAU				[

In making such changes, the hydropathic index of amino acids may be considered. The importance of the hydropathic amino acid index in converring interactive biologic function on a protein is generally understood in the art (Kyte and Doolittle, 1982, incorporated herein by reference). It is accepted that the relative hydropathic character of the amino acid contributes to the secondary structure of the resultant protein, which in turn defines the interaction of the protein with other molecules, for example, enzymes, substrates, receptors, DNA, antibodies, antigens, and the like. Each amino acid has been

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assigned a hydropathic index on the basis of its hydrophobicity and charge characteristics (Kyte and Doolittle, 1982). These values are: isoleucine (+4.5); valine (+4.2); leucine (†3.8); phenylalanine (+2.8); cysteine/cystine (+2.5); methionine (+1.9); alanine (+1.8); glycine (-0.4); threonine (-0.7); serine (-0.8); tryptophan (-0.9); tyrosine (-1.3); proline (-1.6); histidine (-3.2); glutamate (-3.5); glutamine (-3.5); aspartate (-3.5); asparagine 3.5); lysine (-3.9); and arginine (-4.5).

It is known in the art that certain amino acids may be substituted by other arhino acids having a similar hydropathic index or score and still result in a protein with similar biological activity, i.e. still obtain a biological functionally equivalent protein. In making such changes, the substitution of amino acids whose hydropathic indices are within ±2 is preferred, those within ±1 are particularly preferred, and those within ±0.5 are even more particularly preferred. It is also understood in the art that the substitution of like amino acids can be made effectively on the basis of hydrophilicity. U. S. Patent 4,554,101 (specifically incorporated herein by reference in its entirety), states that the greatest local 15 average hydrophilicity of a protein, as governed by the hydrophilicity of its adjacent amino acids, correlates with a biological property of the protein.

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As detailed in U. S. Patent 4,554,101, the following hydrophilicity values have been assigned to amino acid residues: arginine (+3.0); lysine (+3.0); aspartate (+3.0 \frac{1}{2}) 1); glutamate (+3.0 \pm 1); serine (+0.3); asparagine (+0.2); glutamine (+0.2); glycine (0); threonine (-0.4); proline (-0.5 \pm 1); alanine (-0.5); histidine (-0.5); cysteine (-1.0); methionine (-1.3); valine (-1.5); leucine (-1.8); isoleucine (-1.8); tyrosine (-2.3) phenylalanine (-2.5); tryptophan (-3.4). It is understood that an amino acid can be substituted for another having a similar hydrophilicity value and still obtain a biologically equivalent, and in particular, an immunologically equivalent protein. In such changes, the substitution of amino acids whose hydrophilicity values are within ±2 is preferred, those within ±1 are particularly preferred, and those within ±0.5 are even more particularly preferred.

As outlined above, amino acid substitutions are generally therefore based on the relative similarity of the amino acid side-chain substituents, for example, their

hydrophobicity, hydrophilicity, charge, size, and the like. Exemplary substitutions that take various of the foregoing characteristics into consideration are well known to those of skill in the art and include: arginine and lysine; glutamate and asparate; seeine and threonine; glutamine and asparagine; and valine, leucine and isoleucine.

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In addition, any polynucleotide may be further modified to increase stability in vivo. Possible modifications include, but are not limited to, the addition of flanking sequences at the 5' and/or 3' ends; the use of phosphorothicate or 2' () methyl rather than phosphodiesterase linkages in the backbone; and/or the inclusion of nontraditional bases such as inosine, queosine and wybutosine, as well as acetyl- methyl-, thio- and other modified forms of adenine, cytidine, guanine, thymine and uridine.

Amino acid substitutions may further be made on the basis of similarity in polarity, charge, solubility, hydrophobicity, hydrophilicity and/or the amphipathic nature of the residues. For example, negatively charged amino acids include aspartic acid and glutamic acid; positively charged amino acids include lysine and arginine; and amino acids with uncharged polar head groups having similar hydrophilicity values include leucine isoleucine and valine; glycine and alanine; asparagine and glutamine; and serine, threonine phenylalanine and tyrosine. Other groups of amino acids that may represent conservative changes include: (1) ala, pro, gly, glu, asp, gln, asn, ser, thr; (2) cys, ser, tyr, thr; (3) valide, leu, met, ala, phe; (4) lys, arg, his; and (5) phe, tyr, trp, his. A variant may also, or alternatively, contain nonconservative changes. In a preferred embodiment, variant polypeptides differ from a native sequence by substitution, deletion or addition of five amino acids or fewer. Variants may also (or alternatively) be modified by, for example, the deletion or addition of amino acids that have minimal influence on the immunogenicity, secondary structure and hydropathic nature of the polypeptide.

As noted above, polypeptides may comprise a signal (or leader) sequence at the N-terminal end of the protein, which co-translationally or post-translationally directs transfer of the protein. The polypeptide may also be conjugated to a linker or other sequence for ease of synthesis, purification or identification of the polypeptide (e.g., poly-

His), or to enhance binding of the polypeptide to a solid support. For example, a polypeptide may be conjugated to an immunoglobulin Fc region.

When comparing polypeptide sequences, two sequences are said to be "identical" if the sequence of amino acids in the two sequences is the same when aligned for maximum correspondence, as described below. Comparisons between two sequences are typically performed by comparing the sequences over a comparison window to identify and compare local regions of sequence similarity. A "comparison window" as used herein, refers to a segment of at least about 20 contiguous positions, usually 30 to about 75, 40 to about 50, in which a sequence may be compared to a reference sectione of the same number of contiguous positions after the two sequences are optimally aligned.

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Optimal alignment of sequences for comparison may be conducted using the Megalign program in the Lasergene suite of bioinformatics software DNASTAR, Inc., Madison, WI), using default parameters. This program embodies several alignment schemes described in the following references: Dayhoff, M.O. (1978) A model of evolutionary change in proteins – Matrices for detecting distant relationships. In Dayhoff, M.O. (ed.) Atlas of Protein Sequence and Structure, National Biomedical Research Foundation, Washington DC Vol. 5, Suppl. 3, pp. 345-358; Hein J. (1990) Unified Approach to Alignment and Phylogenes pp. 626-645 Methods in Engloward vol. 1834 Academic Press, Inc., San Diego, CA; Higgins, D.G. and Sharp, P.M. (1989) CABIOS 5:151-153; Myers, E.W. and Muller W. (1988) CABIOS 4:11-17; Robinson, E.D. (1971) Comb. Theor 11:105; Santou, N. Nes, M. (1987) Mol. Biol. Evol. 4:406-425; Sneath P.H.A. and Sokal, R.R. (1973) Numerical Taxonomy – the Principles and Practice of Numerical Taxonomy, Freeman Press, San Francisco, CA; Wilbur, W.J and Lipman, D.J. (1983) Proc. Natl. Acad., Sci. USA 80:726-730.

Alternatively, optimal alignment of sequences for comparison may be conducted by the local identity algorithm of Smith and Waterman (1981) Add. APL. Math. 2:482, by the identity alignment algorithm of Needleman and Wunsch (1970) J. Mol. Biol. 48:43, by the search for similarity methods of Pearson and Lipman (1988) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 85: 2444, by computerized implementations of these algorithms (GAP,

BESTFIT, BLAST, FASTA, and TFASTA in the Wisconsin Genetic: Software Package, Genetics Computer Group (GCG), 575 Science Dr., Madison, WI), or by inspection.

One preferred example of algorithms that are suitable for determining percent sequence identity and sequence similarity are the BLAST and BLAST 20 algorithms, which are described in Altschul et al. (1977) Nucl. Acids Res. 25:3389-3402 and Altschul et al. (1990) J. Mol. Biol. 215:403-410, respectively. BLAST and BLAST 2.0 can be used, for example with the parameters described herein, to determine percent sequence identity for the polynucleotides and polypoptides of the invention. Software for performing BLAST analyses is publicly available through the National Center for Biotechnology Information. For amino acid sequences, a scoring matrix can be used to calculate the cumulative score. Extension of the word hits in each direction are halted when: the cumulative alignment score falls off by the quantity X from its maximum achieved value; the cumulative score goes to zero or below, due to the accumulation of one or more negative-scoring residuc alignments; or the end of either sequence is reached. The BLAST algorithm parameters W, T and X determine the sensitivity and speed of the alignment.

In one preferred approach, the "percentage of sequence identity" is determined by comparing two optimally aligned sequences over a window of comparison of at least 20 positions, wherein the portion of the polypeptide sequence in the comparison window may comprise additions or deletions (i.e., gaps) of 20 percent or less, usually 5 to 15 percent, or 10 to 12 percent, as compared to the reference sequences: (which does not comprise additions or deletions) for optimal alignment of the two sequences. The percentage is calculated by determining the number of positions at which the identical amino acid residue occurs in both sequences to yield the number of matched positions dividing the number of matched positions by the total number of positions in the reference sequence (i.e., the window size) and multiplying the results by 100 to yield the percentage of sequence identity.

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Within other illustrative embodiments, a polypeptide may be a fusion polypeptide that comprises multiple polypeptides as described herein, on that comprises at

the first third of the protein (e.g., the first N-terminal 100-110 amino acids), and a protein D derivative may be lipidated. Within certain preferred embodiments, the first 109 residues of a Lipoprotein D fusion partner is included on the N-terminus to provide the polypeptide with additional exogenous T-cell epitopes and to increase the expression level in E. coli (thus functioning as an expression enhancer). The lipid tail ensures or timal presentation of the antigen to antigen presenting cells. Other fusion partners include the non-structural protein from influenzae virus, NS1 (hemaglutinin). Typically, the N-terminal 81 amino acids are used, although different fragments that include T-halper epitopes may be used.

In another embodiment, the immunological fusion pattner is the protein known as LYTA, or a portion thereof (preferably a C-terminal portion). LYTA is derived from Streptococcus pneumoniae, which synthesizes an N-acetyl-L-alan ne amidase known as amidase LYTA (encoded by the LytA gene; Gene 43:265-292, 1586). LYTA is an autolysin that specifically degrades certain bonds in the peptidoglycar backbone. The C-terminal domain of the LYTA protein is responsible for the affinity to the choline or to some choline analogues such as DEAE. This property has been exploited for the development of E. coli C-LYTA expressing plasmids useful for expression of fusion proteins. Purification of hybrid proteins containing the C-LYTA fragment at the aminot terminus has been described (see Biotechnology 10:795-798, 1992). Within a preferred embodiment, a repeat portion of LYTA may be incorporated into a fusion polypeptide. A repeat portion is found in the C-terminal region starting at residue 178. A particularly preferred repeat portion incorporates residues 188-305.

Yet another illustrative embodiment involves fusion polypeptides, and the polynucleotides encoding them, wherein the fusion partner comprises a targeting signal capable of directing a polypeptide to the endosomal/lysosomal compartment, as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,633,234. An immunogenic polypeptide of the invention, when fused with this targeting signal, will associate more efficiently with MHC class II molecules and thereby provide enhanced in vivo stimulation of CD4 T-cells specific for the polypeptide.

Polypeptides of the invention are prepared using any of a variety of well known synthetic and/or recombinant techniques, the latter of which are further described

to express, proteins, polypeptides, peptides and the like. Such segments may be naturally isolated, or modified synthetically by the hand of man.

As will be also recognized by the skilled artisan, polynucleotides of the invention may be single-stranded (coding or antisense) or double-stranded, and may be DNA (genomic, cDNA or synthetic) or RNA molecules. RNA molecules may include HnRNA molecules, which contain introns and correspond to a DNA molecule in a one-toone manner, and mRNA molecules, which do not contain introns. Additional coding or non-coding sequences may, but need not, be present within a polynucleotide of the present invention, and a polynucleotide may, but need not, be linked to other molecules and/pr support materials.

Polynucleotides may comprise a native sequence (i.e., an endogenous sequence that encodes a polypeptide/protein of the invention or a ponion thereof) or may comprise a sequence that encodes a variant or derivative, preferably and immunogenic variant or derivative, of such a sequence.

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Therefore, according to another aspect of the present invention, polynucleotide compositions are provided that comprise some or all cf a polynucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788,790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890, complements of n polynucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-223, 341-782, 78d-785, 788,790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 810-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561 1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890, and 25 degenerate variants of a polynucleotide sequence set forth in any one of SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788,790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, \$08, 810-826, 878-1382 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759 1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and

1884-1890. In certain preferred embodiments, the polynucleotide sequences set forth herein encode immunogenic polypeptides, as described above.

In other related embodiments, the present invention provides polynucleotide variants having substantial identity to the sequences disclosed herein in SEQ ID NOs:1-57, 59-323, 341-782, 784-785, 788,790, 792, 794, 796, 800-804, 807, 808, 310-826, 878-1382, 1384-1559, 1561-1664, 1668, 1669, 1676, 1680-1706, 1708-1732, 1734, 1736-1757, 1759-1765, 1767-1770, 1772-1774, 1776-1805, 1824, 1826-1829, 1865-1868, 1873, 1883 and 1884-1890, for example those comprising at least 70% sequence identity, preferably at least 75%, 80%, 85%, 90%, 95%, 96%, 97%, 98%, or 99% or higher, sequence identity compared to a polynucleotide sequence of this invention using the methods described herein, (e.g., BLAST analysis using standard parameters, as described below). One skilled in this art will recognize that these values can be appropriately adjusted to determine corresponding identity of proteins encoded by two nucleotide sequences by taking into account codon degeneracy, amino acid similarity, reading frame positioning and the like.

Typically, polynucleotide variants will contain one or more substitutions, additions, deletions and/or insertions, preferably such that the immunogenicity of the polypeptide encoded by the variant polynucleotide is not substantially diminished relative to a polypeptide encoded by a polynucleotide sequence specifically set forth herein). The term "variants" should also be understood to encompasses homologous genes of xenogenic origin.

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In additional embodiments, the present invention provides polynucleotide fragments comprising various lengths of contiguous stretches of sequence identical to dr complementary to one or more of the sequences disclosed hereir. For example, polynucleotides are provided by this invention that comprise at least about 10, 15, 20, 30, 40, 50, 75, 100, 150, 200, 300, 400, 500 or 1000 or more contiguous nucleotides of one or more of the sequences disclosed herein as well as all intermediate lengths there between. It will be readily understood that "intermediate lengths", in this context, means any length between the quoted values, such as 16, 17, 18, 19, etc.; 21, 22, 23, etc.; 30, 31, 32, etc.; 50,

preparation and use in the intended recombinant DNA protocol. For example, illustrative polynucleotide segments with total lengths of about 10,000, about 5000, about 3000, about 2,000, about 1,000, about 500, about 200, about 100, about 50 base pars in length, and the like, (including all intermediate lengths) are contemplated to $t \in useful$ in many implementations of this invention.

When comparing polynucleotide sequences, two sequences are said to be "identical" if the sequence of nucleotides in the two sequences is the same when aligned for maximum correspondence, as described below. Comparisons between two sequences are typically performed by comparing the sequences over a comparison window to identify and compare local regions of sequence similarity. A "comparison window" as used herein, refers to a segment of at least about 20 contiguous positions, usually 30 to about 75, 40 to about 50, in which a sequence may be compared to a reference sequence of the same number of contiguous positions after the two sequences are optimally aligned.

Optimal alignment of sequences for comparison may be conducted using the Megalign program in the Lasergene suite of bioinformatics software (DNASTAR, Inc., Madison, WI), using default parameters. This program embodies several alignment schemes described in the following references: Dayhoff, M.O. (1978) A model of evolutionary change in proteins – Matrices for detecting distant relationships. In Dayhoff, M.O. (ed.) Atlas of Protein Sequence and Structure, National Biomedical Research Foundation, Washington DC Vol. 5, Suppl. 3, pp. 345-358; Hein J. (1990) Unified Approach to Alignment and Phylogenes pp. 626-645 Methods in Enzymology vol. 183; Academic Press, Inc., San Diego, CA; Higgins, D.G. and Sharp, P.M. (1989) CABIOS 5:151-153; Myers, E.W. and Muller W. (1988) CABIOS 4:11-17; Robinson, E.D. (1971) Comb. Theor 11:105; Santou, N. Nes, M. (1987) Mol. Biol. Evol. 4 406-425; Sneath P.H.A. and Sokal, R.R. (1973) Numerical Taxonomy – the Principles and Practice of Numerical Taxonomy, Freeman Press, San Francisco, CA; Wilbur, W.J and Lipman, D.J. (1983) Proc. Natl. Acad., Sci. USA 80:726-730.

Alternatively, optimal alignment of sequences for comparison may be conducted by the local identity algorithm of Smith and Waterman (1981) Add. APL. Many

2482, by the identity alignment algorithm of Needleman and Wunsch (1970) J. Mol. Biol. 48:443, by the search for similarity methods of Pearson and Lipman (1988) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 85: 2444, by computerized implementations of these algorithms (GAP, BESTFIT, BLAST, FASTA, and TFASTA in the Wisconsin Genetics Software Package, Genetics Computer Group (GCG), 575 Science Dr., Madison, WI), or by inspection.

One preferred example of algorithms that are suitable for determining percent sequence identity and sequence similarity are the BLASI and BLAST 210 algorithms, which are described in Altschul et al. (1977) ? ucl. Acids Res. 25:3389-3402 and Altschul et al. (1990) J. Mol. Biol. 215:403-410, respectively. BLAST and BLAST 20 can be used, for example with the parameters described herein, to determine percent sequence identity for the polynucleotides of the invention. Software for performing BLAST analyses is publicly available through the National Center for Biotechnology Information. In one illustrative example, cumulative scores can be calculated using, for nucleotide sequences, the parameters M (reward score for a pair of natching residues; always >0) and N (penalty score for mismatching residues; always <0) Extension of the word hits in each direction are halted when; the cumulative alignment score falls off by the quantity X from its maximum achieved value; the cumulative score goes to zero or below, due to the accumulation of one or more negative-scoring residue alignments; or the end of either sequence is reached. The BLAST algorithm parameters W, T and X determine the serisitivity and speed of the alignment. The BLASTN program (for nucleotide sequences) uses as defaults a wordlength (W) of 11, and expectation (E) of 10, and the BLOSUM62 scoring matrix (see Henikoff and Henikoff (1989) Froc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 89:10915) alignments, (B) of 50, expectation (E) of 10, M=5, N=-4 and a comparison of both strands.

Preferably, the "percentage of sequence identity" is determined by comparing two optimally aligned sequences over a window of comparison of at least 20 positions, wherein the portion of the polynucleotide sequence in the comparison window may comprise additions or deletions (i.e., gaps) of 20 percent or less usually 5 to 15 percent, or 10 to 12 percent, as compared to the reference sequences (which does not comprise additions or deletions) for optimal alignment of the two sequences. The

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parcentage is calculated by determining the number of positions at which the identical nucleic acid bases occurs in both sequences to yield the number of matched positions, dividing the number of matched positions by the total number of positions in the reference sequence (i.e., the window size) and multiplying the results by 100 to yield the percentage of sequence identity.

It will be appreciated by those of ordinary skill in the art that, as a result of the degeneracy of the genetic code, there are many nucleotide sequences that encode is polypeptide as described herein. Some of these polynucleotides bear minimal homology to the nucleotide sequence of any native gene. Nonetheless, polynucleotides that vary due to differences in codon usage are specifically contemplated by the present invention. Further, alleles of the genes comprising the polynucleotide sequences provided herein are within the scope of the present invention. Alleles are endogenous genes that are altered as a result of one or more mutations, such as deletions, additions and/or substitutions of nucleotides. The resulting mRNA and protein may, but need not, have an altered structure or function. Alleles may be identified using standard techniques (such as hybridization, amplification and/or database sequence comparison).

Therefore, in another embodiment of the invention, a mutagenesis approach, such as site-specific mutagenesis, is employed for the preparation of immunogenic variants and/or derivatives of the polypeptides described herein. By this approach, specific modifications in a polypeptide sequence can be made through mutagenesis of the underlying polynucleotides that encode them. These techniques provides a straightforward approach to prepare and test sequence variants, for example, incorporating one or more of the foregoing considerations, by introducing one or more nucleotide sequence changes into the polynucleotide.

Site-specific mutagenesis allows the production of mutants through the use of specific oligonucleotide sequences which encode the DNA sequence of the desired mutation, as well as a sufficient number of adjacent nucleotides, to provide a primer sequence of sufficient size and sequence complexity to form a stable duplex on both sides of the deletion junction being traversed. Mutations may be employed in a selected

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polynucleotide sequence to improve, alter, decrease, modify, or otherwise change the properties of the polynucleotide itself, and/or alter the properties, activity, composition, stability, or primary sequence of the encoded polypeptide.

In certain embodiments of the present invention, the inventors contemplate the mutagenesis of the disclosed polynucleotide sequences to alter one or more properties of the encoded polypeptide, such as the immunogenicity of a polypeptide vaccine. The techniques of site-specific mutagenesis are well-known in the art, and are widely used to create variants of both polypeptides and polynucleotides. For example, site-specific mutagenesis is often used to alter a specific portion of a DNA molecule. In such embodiments, a primer comprising typically about 14 to about 25 nucleotides or so in length is employed, with about 5 to about 10 residues on both sides of the junction of the sequence being altered.

As will be appreciated by those of skill in the art, site-specific mutagenesis techniques have often employed a phage vector that exists in both a single stranded and double stranded form. Typical vectors useful in site-directed mutagenesis include vectors such as the M13 phage. These phage are readily commercially-available and their use is generally well-known to those skilled in the art. Double-stranded plasmids are also routinely employed in site directed mutagenesis that eliminates the step of transferring the gene of interest from a plasmid to a phage.

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In general, site-directed mutagenesis in accordance herewith is performed by first obtaining a single-stranded vector or melting apart of two strands of a double-stranded vector that includes within its sequence a DNA sequence that encodes the desired peptide. An oligonucleotide primer bearing the desired mutated sequence is prepared, generally synthetically. This primer is then annealed with the single-stranded vector, and subjected to DNA polymerizing enzymes such as *E. coli* polymerase I Klenow fragment, in order to complete the synthesis of the mutation-bearing strand. Thus, a heteroduplex is formed wherein one strand encodes the original non-mutated sequence and the second strand bears the desired mutation. This heteroduplex vector is then used to transform appropriate cells,

such as E. coli cells, and clones are selected which include recombinant vectors bearing the mutated sequence arrangement.

The preparation of sequence variants of the selected peptide-encoding DNA segments using site-directed mutagenesis provides a means of producing potentially useful species and is not meant to be limiting as there are other ways in which sequence variants of peptides and the DNA sequences encoding them may be obtained. For example, recombinant vectors encoding the desired peptide sequence may be treated with mutagenic agents, such as hydroxylamine, to obtain sequence variants. Specific details regarding these methods and protocols are found in the teachings of Maloy et al. 1994; Segal, 1976; Prokop and Bajpai, 1991; Kuby, 1994; and Maniatis et al., 1982, each incorporated herein by reference, for that purpose.

As used herein, the term "oligonucleotide directed mutagenesis procedure" refers to template-dependent processes and vector-mediated propagation which result in an increase in the concentration of a specific nucleic acid molecule relative to its initial concentration, or in an increase in the concentration of a detectable signal, such as amplification. As used herein, the term "oligonucleotide directed mutagenesis procedure" is intended to refer to a process that involves the template-dependent extension of a primer molecule. The term template dependent process refers to nucleic acid synthesis of an RNA or a DNA molecule wherein the sequence of the newly synthesized strand of nucleic acid is dictated by the well-known rules of complementary base pairing (see, for example, Watson 1987). Typically, vector mediated methodologies involve the introduction of the nucleic acid fragment into a DNA or RNA vector, the clonal amplification of the vector, and the recovery of the amplified nucleic acid fragment. Examples of such methodologies are provided by U. S. Patent No. 4,237,224, specifically incorporated hereir by reference in its entirety.

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In another approach for the production of polypeptide variants of the present invention, recursive sequence recombination, as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,837,458 may be employed. In this approach, iterative cycles of recombination and screening or

The use of a hybridization probe of about 15-25 nucleotides in length allows the formation of a duplex molecule that is both stable and selective. Molecules having contiguous complementary sequences over stretches greater than 15 bases in length are generally preferred, though, in order to increase stability and selectivity of the hybrid, and thereby improve the quality and degree of specific hybrid molecules obtained. One will generally prefer to design nucleic acid molecules having gene-complementary stretches of 15 to 25 contiguous nucleotides, or even longer where desired.

Hybridization probes may be selected from any portion of any of the sequences disclosed herein. All that is required is to review the sequences set forth herein, or to any continuous portion of the sequences, from about 15-25 nucleotides in length up to and including the full length sequence, that one wishes to utilize as a probe or primer. The choice of probe and primer sequences may be governed by various factors. For example, one may wish to employ primers from towards the termini of the total sequence.

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Small polynucleotide segments or fragments may be readily prepared by, for example, directly synthesizing the fragment by chemical means, as is commonly practiced using an automated oligonucleotide synthesizer. Also, fragments may be obtained by application of nucleic acid reproduction technology, such as the PCRTM technology of U. S. Patent 4,683,202 (incorporated herein by reference), by introducing selected sequences into recombinant vectors for recombinant production, and by other recombinant DNA techniques generally known to those of skill in the art of molecular biology.

The nucleotide sequences of the invention may be used for their ability to selectively form duplex molecules with complementary stretches of the entire gene or gene fragments of interest. Depending on the application envisioned, one will typically desire to employ varying conditions of hybridization to achieve varying degrees of selectivity of probe towards target sequence. For applications requiring high selectivity, one will typically desire to employ relatively stringent conditions to form the hybrids, e.g., one will select relatively low salt and/or high temperature conditions, such as provided by a salt concentration of from about 0.02 M to about 0.15 M salt at temperatures of from about 50°C to about 70°C. Such selective conditions tolerate little, if any, mismatch between the

probe and the template or target strand, and would be particularly suitable for isolating related sequences.

Of course, for some applications, for example, where one desires to prepare mutants employing a mutant primer strand hybridized to an underlying template, less stringent (reduced stringency) hybridization conditions will typically be needed in order to allow formation of the heteroduplex. In these circumstances, one may desire to employ salt conditions such as those of from about 0.15 M to about 0.9 M salt, at temperatures ranging from about 20°C to about 55°C. Cross-hybridizing species can thereby be readily identified as positively hybridizing signals with respect to control hybridizations. In any case, it is generally appreciated that conditions can be rendered more stringent by the addition of increasing amounts of formamide, which serves to destabilize the hybrid duplex in the same manner as increased temperature. Thus, hybridization conditions can be readily manipulated, and thus will generally be a method of choice depending on the desired results.

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According to another embodiment of the present invention, polynucleotide compositions comprising antisense oligonucleotides are provided. Antisense oligonucleotides have been demonstrated to be effective and targeted inhibitors of protein synthesis, and, consequently, provide a therapeutic approach by which a disease can be treated by inhibiting the synthesis of proteins that contribute to the disease. The efficacy of antisense oligonucleotides for inhibiting protein synthesis is well established. For example the synthesis of polygalactauronase and the muscarine type 2 acetylcholine receptor are inhibited by antisense oligonucleotides directed to their respective mRNA sequences (U. S. Patent 5,739,119 and U. S. Patent 5,759,829). Further, examples of antisense inhibition have been demonstrated with the nuclear protein cyclin, the multiple drug resistance gene (MDG1), ICAM-1, E-selectin, STK-1, striatal GABAA receptor and human EGF (Jaskulski et al., Science. 1988 Jun 10;240(4858):1544-6; Vasanthakumar and Ahmed, Cancer Commun. 1989;1(4):225-32; Peris et al., Brain Res Mol Brain Res. 1998 Jun 15;57(2):310-20; U. S. Patent 5,801,154; U.S. Patent 5,789,573; U. S. Patent 5,718,709 and U.S. Patent 5,610,288). Antisense constructs have also been described that inhibit and can be used to

variety of abnormal cellular proliferations, e.g. cancer (U. S. Patent 5,747,470; U. S. Patent 5,783,683).

Therefore, in certain embodiments, the present invention provides oligonucleotide sequences that comprise all, or a portion of, any sequence that is capable of specifically binding to polynucleotide sequence described herein, or a complement thereof. In one embodiment, the satisense oligonucleotides comprise DNA or derivatives thereof. In another embodiment, the oligonucleotides comprise RNA or derivatives thereof. In a embodiment, the oligonucleotides are modified DNAs comprising phosphorothioated modified backbone. In a fourth embodiment, the oligonucleotide sequences comprise peptide nucleic acids or derivatives thereof. In each case, preferred compositions comprise a sequence region that is complementary, and more preferably substantially-complementary, and even more preferably, completely complementary to one or more portions of polynucleotides disclosed herein. Selection of anticense compositions specific for a given gene sequence is based upon analysis of the chosen target sequence and determination of secondary structure, Tm, binding energy, and relative stability. Antisense compositions may be selected based upon their relative inability to form dimers, hairpins, or other secondary structures that would reduce or prohibit specific kinding to the target mRNA in a host cell. Highly preferred target regions of the mRNA, are those which are at or near the AUG translation initiation codon, and those sequences which are substantially complementary to 5' regions of the mRNA. These secondary structure analyses and target site selection considerations can be performed, for example, using v.4 of the OLIGO primer analysis software and/or the BLASTN 2.0.5 algorithm software (Altschul et al., Nucleic Adids Res. 1997, 25(17):3389-402).

The use of an antisense delivery method employing a short peptide vector, termed MPG (27 residues), is also contemplated. The MPG peptide contains a hydrophobic domain derived from the fusion sequence of HIV gp41 and a hydrophilic domain from the nuclear localization sequence of SV40 T-antigen (Morris et al., Nucleic Acids Res. 1997 Jul 15;25(14):2730-6). It has been demonstrated that several molecules of the MPG peptide coat the antisense oligonucleotides and can be delivered into cultured

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The enzymatic nature of a ribozyme is advantageous over many technologies, such as antisense technology (where a nucleic acid molecule simply binds to a nucleic acid target to block its translation) since the concentration of ribozyme necessary to affect a therapeutic treatment is lower than that of an antisense oligonucleotide. This advantage reflects the ability of the ribozyme to act enzymatically. Thus a single ribozyme molecule is able to cleave many molecules of target RNA. In addition, the ribozyme is a highly specific inhibitor, with the specificity of inhibition depending not only on the base pairing mechanism of binding to the target RNA, but also on the mechanism of target RNA cleavage. Single mismatches, or base-substitutions, near the site of cleavage can completely eliminate catalytic activity of a ribozyme. Similar mismatches in antisense molecules do not prevent their action (Woolf et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 1992 Aug 15 89(16):7305-9). Thus, the specificity of action of a ribozyme is greater than that of an antisense oligonucleotide binding the same RNA site.

The enzymatic nucleic acid molecule may be formed in a hammerhead, 15 hairpin, a hepatitis δ virus, group I intron or RNaseP RNA (in association with an RNA guide sequence) or Neurospora VS RNA motif. Examples of hammerhead motifs are described by Rossi et al. Nucleic Acids Res. 1992 Sep 11;20(17):4559-65. Examples of hairpin motifs are described by Hampel et al. (Eur. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. EP 0360257) Hampel and Tritz, Biochemistry 1989 Jun 13;28(12):4929-33; Hampel et al., Nucleic Acids Res. 1990 Jan 25;18(2):299-304 and U. S. Patent 5,631,359. An example of the hepatitis δ virus motif is described by Perrotta and Been, Biochemistry, 1992 Dec 1;31(47):11843-52; an example of the RNaseP motif is described by Guerrier-Takada et al. Cell. 1983 Dec;35(3 Pt 2):849-57; Neurospora VS RNA ribozyme motif is described by Collins (Saville and Collins, Cell. 1990 May 18;61(4):685-96; Saville and Collins, Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 1991 Oct 1;88(19):8826-30; Collins and Olive, Biochemistry. 1993 Mat 23;32(11):2795-9); and an example of the Group I intron is described in (U. S. Patent 1,9\$7,071). All that is important in an enzymatic nucleic acid molecule of this invention is that it has a specific substrate binding site which is complementary to one or more of the arget gene RNA regions, and that it have nucleotide sequences within or surrounding that substrate binding site which impart an RNA cleaving activity to the molecule. Thus the ribozyme constructs need not be limited to specific motifs mentioned herein.

Ribozymes may be designed as described in Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 93/23569 and Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 94/02595, each specifically incorporated herein by reference) and synthesized to be tested in vitro and in vivo, as described. Such ribozymes can also be optimized for delivery. While specific examples are provided, those in the art will recognize that equivalent RNA targets in other species can be utilized when necessary.

Ribozyme activity can be optimized by altering the length of the ribozyme binding arms, or chemically synthesizing ribozymes with modifications that prevent their degradation by serum ribonucleases (see e.g., Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 92/07065; Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 93/15187; Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 91/05162; Eur. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. 92110298.4; U. S. Patent 5,334,711; and Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 94/13688, which describe various chemical modifications that can be made to the sugar moieties of enzymatic RNA molecules), modifications which enhance their efficacy in cells, and removal of stem II bases to shorten RNA synthesis times and reduce chemical requirements.

Sullivan et al. (Int. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 94/32595) describes the general methods for delivery of enzymatic RNA molecules. Ribozymes may be administered to cells by a variety of methods known to those familiar to the art, including, but not restricted to, encapsulation in liposomes, by iontophoresis, or by incorporation into other vehicles, such as hydrogels, cyclodextrins, biodegradable nanocapsules, and bioadhesive microspheres. For some indications, ribozymes may be directly delivered ex vivo to cells or tissues with or without the aforementioned vehicles. Alternatively, the RNA/vehicle combination may be locally delivered by direct inhalation, by direct injection or by use of a catheter, infusion pump or stent. Other routes of delivery include, but are not limited to, intravascular, intramuscular, subcutaneous or joint injection, aerosol inhalation, oral (tablet or pill form), topical, systemic, ocular, intraperitoned and/or intrathecal delivery. More detailed descriptions of ribozyme delivery and administration are provided

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Another means of accumulating high concentrations of a ribozyme(s) within cells is to incorporate the ribozyme-encoding sequences into a DNA expression vector. Transcription of the ribozyme sequences are driven from a promoter for eukaryotic RNA polymerase I (pol I), RNA polymerase II (pol II), or RNA polymerase III (pol III). Transcripts from pol II or pol III promoters will be expressed at high levels in all cells; the levels of a given pol II promoter in a given cell type will depend on the nature of the gene regulatory sequences (enhancers, silencers, etc.) present nearby. Prokaryotic RNA polymerase promoters may also be used, providing that the prokaryotic RNA polymerase enzyme is expressed in the appropriate cells. Ribozymes expressed from such promoters have been shown to function in mammalian cells. Such transcription units can be incorporated into a variety of vectors for introduction into mammalian cells, including but not restricted to, plasmid DNA vectors, viral DNA vectors (such as indenovirus or adenoassociated vectors), or viral RNA vectors (such as retroviral, semiliki forest virus, sindbis virus vectors).

In another embodiment of the invention, peptide nucleic acids (PNAs) compositions are provided. PNA is a DNA mimic in which the nucleobases are attached to a pseudopeptide backbone (Good and Nielsen, Antisense Nucleic Acid Drug Dev. 1997 7(4) 431-37). PNA is able to be utilized in a number methods that traditionally have used RNA or DNA. Often PNA sequences perform better in techniques than the corresponding RNA or DNA sequences and have utilities that are not inherent to RNA or DNA. A review of PNA including methods of making, characteristics of, and methods of using, is provided by Corey (Trends Biotechnol 1997 Jun;15(6):224-9). As such, in centain embodiments, one may prepare PNA sequences that are complementary to one or more portions of the ACE mRNA sequence, and such PNA compositions may be used to regulate, alter, decrease, or reduce the translation of ACE-specific mRNA, and thereby alter the level of ACE activity in a host cell to which such PNA compositions have been administered.

PNAs have 2-aminoethyl-glycine linkages replacing the normal phosphodiester backbone of DNA (Nielsen et al., Science 1991 Dec 6;254(5037):1497-500; Hanvey et al., Science. 1992 Nov 27;258(5087):1481-5; Hyrup and Nielsen, Bicorg Med Chem. 1996 Jan;4(1):5-23). This chemistry has three important consequences: fürstly, in contrast to DNA or phosphorothioate oligonucleotides, PNAs are neutral molecules; secondly, PNAs are achiral, which avoids the need to develop a stereoselective synthesis; and thirdly, PNA synthesis uses standard Boc or Fmoc protocols for solid-phase peptide synthesis, although other methods, including a modified Merrifield method, have been used.

PNA monomers or ready-made oligomers are commercially available from PerSeptive Biosystems (Framingham, MA). PNA syntheses by either Boc or France protocols are straightforward using manual or automated protocols (Norton et al., Bioorg Med Chem. 1995 Apr;3(4):437-45). The manual protocol lends itself to the production of dhemically modified PNAs or the simultaneous synthesis of families of closely related

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As with peptide synthesis, the success of a particular PNA synthesis will depend on the properties of the chosen sequence. For example, while in theory PNAs can incorporate any combination of nucleotide bases, the presence of adjacent purines can lead to deletions of one or more residues in the product. In expectation of this difficulty, it is suggested that, in producing PNAs with adjacent purines, one should repeat the coupling of residues likely to be added inefficiently. This should be followed by the purification of PNAs by reverse-phase high-pressure liquid chromatography, providing yields and purity of product similar to those observed during the synthesis of peptides.

Modifications of PNAs for a given application may be accomplished by coupling amino acids during solid-phase synthesis or by attaching corapounds that contain a carboxylic acid group to the exposed N-terminal amine. Alternatively, PNAs can be modified after synthesis by coupling to an introduced lysine or cysteine. The ease with which PNAs can be modified facilitates optimization for better solubility or for specific functional requirements. Once synthesized, the identity of PNAs and their derivatives can

be confirmed by mass spectrometry. Several studies have made and utilized modifications of PNAs (for example, Norton et al., Bioorg Med Chem. 1995 Apr;3(4):437-45; Petersen et al., J Pept Sci. 1995 May-Jun;1(3):175-83; Orum et al., Biotechniques. 1995 Sep;19(3):472-80; Footer et al., Biochemistry. 1996 Aug 20;35(33):10573-9; Griffith et al., Nucleic Acids Res. 1995 Aug 11;23(15):3003-8; Pardridge et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 1995 Jun 6;92(12):5592-6; Boffa et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 1995 Mar 14;92(6):1901-5; Gambacorti-Passerini et al., Blood. 1996 Aug 15;88(4):1411-7; Armitage et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A. 1997 Nov 11;94(23):12320-5; Seeger et al., Biotechniques. 1997 Sep;23(3):512-7). U.S. Patent No. 5,700,922 discusses PNA-DNA-PNA chimeric molecules and their uses in diagnostics, modulating protein in organisms, and treatment of conditions susceptible to therapeutics.

Methods of characterizing the antisense binding properties of PNAs are discussed in Rose (Anal Chem. 1993 Dec 15;65(24):3545-9) and Jensen et al. (Biochemistry, 1997 Apr 22;36(16):5072-7). Rose uses capillary 12:1 electrophoresis to determine binding of PNAs to their complementary oligonucleotide, measuring the relative binding kinetics and stoichiometry. Similar types of measurements were made by Jensen et al. using BIAcoreTM technology.

Other applications of PNAs that have been described and will be apparent to the skilled artisan include use in DNA strand invasion, antisense irrhibition, mutational analysis, enhancers of transcription, nucleic acid purification, isolation of transcriptionally active genes, blocking of transcription factor binding, genome cleavage, biosensors, in situe hybridization, and the like.

Rolynucleotide Identification, Characterization and Expression

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Polynucleotides compositions of the present invention may be identified, prepared and/or manipulated using any of a variety of well established techniques (see generally, Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989, and other like references). For example, a polynucleotide may be identified, as described in more detail below, by screening a

microarray of cDNAs for tumor-associated expression (i.e., expression that is at least two fold greater in a tumor than in normal tissue, as determined using a representative assay provided herein). Such screens may be performed, for example, using the microarray technology of Affymetrix, Inc. (Santa Clara, CA) according to the manufacturer's instructions (and essentially as described by Schena et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 3:10614-10619, 1996 and Heller et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 94:2150-2155, 1997). Alternatively, polynucleotides may be amplified from cDNA prepared from cells expressing the proteins described herein, such as tumor cells.

Many template dependent processes are available to amplify a target sequences of interest present in a sample. One of the best known amplification methods is the polymerase chain reaction (PCRTM) which is described in detail in U.S. Patent Nos. 4,683,195, 4,683,202 and 4,800,159, each of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety. Briefly, in PCRTM, two primer sequences are prepared which are complementary to regions on opposite complementary strands of the target sequence. An excess of deoxynucleoside triphosphates is added to a reaction mixture along with a DNA polymerase (e.g., Taq polymerase). If the target sequence is present in a sample, the primers will bind to the target and the polymerase will cause the primers to be extended along the target sequence by adding on nucleotides. By raising and lowering the temperature of the reaction mixture, the extended primers will dissociate from the target to form reaction products, excess primers will bind to the target and to the reaction product and the process is repeated. Preferably reverse transcription and PCRTM amplification procedure may be performed in order to quantify the amount of mRNA amplified. Polymerase chain reaction methodologies are well known in the art.

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Any of a number of other template dependent processes, many of which are variations of the PCR mapplification technique, are readily known and available in the arr. Illustratively, some such methods include the ligase chain reaction (referred to as LCR), described, for example, in Eur. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. 320,308 and U.S. Patent No. 4,883,750; Qbeta Replicase, described in PCT Intl. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. PCT/US87/00880; Strand Displacement Amplification (SDA) and Repair Chain Reaction (RCR). Still other

amplification methods are described in Great Britain Pat. Appl. No. 2 202 328, and in PCT Intl. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. PCT/US89/01025. Other nucleic acid amplification procedures include transcription-based amplification systems (TAS) (PCT Intl. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 88/10315), including nucleic acid sequence based amplification (NASBA) and 3SR. Eur. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. 329,822 describes a nucleic acid amplification process involving cyclically synthesizing single-stranded RNA ("ssRNA"), ssDNA, and double-stranded DNA (dsDNA). PCT Intl. Pat. Appl. Publ. No. WO 89/06700 describes a nucleic acid sequence amplification scheme based on the hybridization of a promoter/primer sequence to a target single-stranded DNA ("ssDNA") followed by transcription of many RNA copies of the sequence. Other amplification methods such as "RACE" (Frohman, 1990), and "one-sided PCR" (Ohara, 1989) are also well-known to those of skill in the art.

An amplified portion of a polynucleotide of the present invention may be used to isolate a full length gene from a suitable library (e.g., a tumor cDNA library) using well known techniques. Within such techniques, a library (cDNA or genomic) is screened using one or more polynucleotide probes or primers suitable for amplification. Preferably, a library is size-selected to include larger molecules. Random primed libraries may also be preferred for identifying 5' and upstream regions of genes. Genomic libraries are preferred for obtaining introns and extending 5' sequences.

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For hybridization techniques, a partial sequence may be labeled (e.g., by nick-translation or end-labeling with ³²P) using well known techniques. A bacterial or bacteriophage library is then generally screened by hybridizing filters containing denatured bacterial colonies (or lawns containing phage plaques) with the labeled probe (see Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989). Hybridizing colonies or plaques are selected and expanded, and the DNA is isolated for further analysis. cDNA clones may be analyzed to determine the amount of additional sequence by, for example, PCR using a primer from the partial sequence and a primer from the vector. Restriction maps and partial sequences may be generated to identify one or more overlapping clones. The complete sequence may then be determined using standard techniques, which may involve generating a series of

deletion clones. The resulting overlapping sequences can then assembled into a single contiguous sequence. A full length cDNA molecule can be generated by ligating suitable fragments, using well known techniques.

Alternatively, amplification techniques, such as those described above, can be useful for obtaining a full length coding sequence from a partial DNA sequence. One such amplification technique is inverse PCR (see Triglia et al., Nucl. Acids Res. 16:8186, 1988), which uses restriction enzymes to generate a fragment in the known region of the gene. The fragment is then circularized by intramolecular ligation and used as a template for PCR with divergent primers derived from the known region. Within an alternative approach, sequences adjacent to a partial sequence may be retrieved by amplification with a primer to a linker sequence and a primer specific to a known region. The amplified sequences are typically subjected to a second round of amplification with the same linker primer and a second primer specific to the known region. A variation on this procedure, which employs two primers that initiate extension in opposite direct ons from the known sequence, is described in WO 96/38591. Another such technique is known as "rapid amplification of cDNA ends" or RACE. This technique involves the use of an internal primer and an external primer, which hybridizes to a polyA region or vector sequence, to dentify sequences that are 5' and 3' of a known sequence. Additional techniques include capture PCR (Lagerstrom et al., PCR Methods Applic. 1:111-19, 1991) and walking PCR Parker et al., Nucl. Acids. Res. 19:3055-60, 1991). Other methods employing amplification may also be employed to obtain a full length cDNA sequence.

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In certain instances, it is possible to obtain a full length cDNA sequence by analysis of sequences provided in an expressed sequence tag (EST) database, such as that available from GenBank. Searches for overlapping ESTs may generally be performed using well known programs (e.g., NCBI BLAST searches), and such ESTs may be used to generate a contiguous full length sequence. Full length DNA sequences may also be obtained by analysis of genomic fragments.

In other embodiments of the invention, polynucleotide sequences or tragments thereof which encode polypeptides of the invention, or fusion proteins or

functional equivalents thereof, may be used in recombinant DNA molecules to direct expression of a polypeptide in appropriate host cells. Due to the inherent degeneracy of the genetic code, other DNA sequences that encode substantially the same or a functionally equivalent amino acid sequence may be produced and these sequences may be used to clone and express a given polypeptide.

As will be understood by those of skill in the art, it may be advantageous in some instances to produce polypeptide-encoding nucleotide sequences possessing nonnaturally occurring codons. For example, codons preferred by a particular prokaryotic or etharyotic host can be selected to increase the rate of protein expression or to produce a 10 recombinant RNA transcript having desirable properties, such as a half-life which is longer than that of a transcript generated from the naturally occurring requence.

Moreover, the polynucleotide sequences of the present invention can be engineered using methods generally known in the art in order to alter polypeptide encoding sequences for a variety of reasons, including but not limited to, alterations which modify 15 the cloning, processing, and/or expression of the gene product. For example, DNA shuffling by random fragmentation and PCR reassembly of gene fragments and synthetic oligonucleotides may be used to engineer the nucleotide sequences. In addition, sitedirected mutagenesis may be used to insert new restriction sites, alter glycosylation patterns, change codon preference, produce splice variants, or introduce mutations, and so forth.

In another embodiment of the invention, natural, modified, or recombinant nucleic acid sequences may be ligated to a heterologous sequence to encode a fusion protein. For example, to screen peptide libraries for inhibitors of polypeptide activity, it may be useful to encode a chimeric protein that can be recognized by a commercially available antibody. A fusion protein may also be engineered to contain a cleavage site located between the polypeptide-encoding sequence and the heterologous protein sequence, so that the polypeptide may be cleaved and purified away from the heterologous moiety.

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Sequences encoding a desired polypeptide may be synthesized, in whole or in part, using chemical methods well known in the art (see Caruthers, M. H. et al. (1980) Nucl. Acids Res. Symp. Ser. 215-223, Horn, T. et al. (1980) Nucl. Acids Res. Symp. Ser. 225-232). Alternatively, the protein itself may be produced using chemical methods to synthesize the amino acid sequence of a polypeptide, or a portion thereof. For example, peptide synthesis can be performed using various solid-phase techniques (Roberge, J. Y. et al. (1995) Science 269:202-204) and automated synthesis may be achieved, for example, using the ABI 431A Peptide Synthesizer (Perkin Elmer, Palo Alto, CA).

A newly synthesized peptide may be substantially purified by preparative high performance liquid chromatography (e.g., Creighton, T. (1983) Proteins, Structures and Molecular Principles, WH Freeman and Co., New York, N.Y., or other comparable techniques available in the art. The composition of the synthetic peptides may be confirmed by amino acid analysis or sequencing (e.g., the Edman degradation procedure). Additionally, the amino acid sequence of a polypeptide, or any part thereof, may be altered during direct synthesis and/or combined using chemical methods with sequences from other proteins, or any part thereof, to produce a variant polypeptide.

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In order to express a desired polypeptide, the nucleotide sequences encoding the polypeptide, or functional equivalents, may be inserted into appropriate expression vector, i.e., a vector which contains the necessary elements for the transcription and translation of the inserted coding sequence. Methods which are well known to those skilled in the art may be used to construct expression vectors containing sequences encoding a polypeptide of interest and appropriate transcriptional and translational control elements. These methods include in vitro recombinant DNA techniques, synthetic techniques, and in vivo genetic recombination. Such techniques are described, for example, in Sambrook, J. et al. (1989) Molecular Cloning, A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Press, Plainview, N.Y., and Ausubel, F. M. et al. (1989) Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, John Wiley & Sons, New York, N.Y.

A variety of expression vector/host systems may be utilized to contain and express polynucleotide sequences. These include, but are not limited to, microorganisms such as bacteria transformed with recombinant bacteriophage, plasmid, or cosmid DNA expression vectors; yeast transformed with yeast expression vectors insect cell systems

infected with virus expression vectors (e.g., baculovirus); plant cell systems transformed with virus expression vectors (e.g., cauliflower mosaic virus, CaMV; tobacco mosaic virus, TMV) or with bacterial expression vectors (e.g., Ti or pBR322 plas nids); or animal cell systems.

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The "control elements" or "regulatory sequences" present in an expression vector are those non-translated regions of the vector—enhancers, promoters, 5' and 3' untranslated regions—which interact with host cellular proteins to carry out transcription and translation. Such elements may vary in their strength and specificity. Depending on the vector system and host utilized, any number of suitable transcription and translation elements, including constitutive and inducible promoters, may be used. For example, when cloning in bacterial systems, inducible promoters such as the hybrid lacZ promoter of the PBLUESCRIPT phagemid (Stratagene, La Jolla, Calif.) or PSPORT1 plasmid (Gibco BRL, Gaithersburg, MD) and the like may be used. In mammalian cell systems, promoters from mammalian genes or from mammalian viruses are generally preferred. If it is necessary to generate a cell line that contains multiple copies of the sequence encoding a polypeptide, vectors based on SV40 or EBV may be advantageously used with an appropriate selectable marker.

In bacterial systems, any of a number of expression vectors may be selected depending upon the use intended for the expressed polypeptide. For example, when large quantities are needed, for example for the induction of antibodies, vectors which direct high level expression of fusion proteins that are readily purified may be used. Such vectors include, but are not limited to, the multifunctional *E. coli* cloning and expression vectors such as BLUESCRIPT (Stratagene), in which the sequence encoding the polypeptide of interest may be ligated into the vector in frame with sequences for the amino-terminal Net and the subsequent 7 residues of beta-galactosidase so that a hybrid protein is produced; pIN vectors (Van Heeke, G. and S. M. Schuster (1989) *J. Biol. Chem. 164:5503-5509*); and the like. pGEX Vectors (Promega, Madison, Wis.) may also be used to express foreign polypeptides as fusion proteins with glutathione S-transferase (GST). In general, such fusion proteins are soluble and can easily be purified from lysed cells by adsorption to

glutathione-agarose beads followed by elution in the presence of free glutathione. Proteins made in such systems may be designed to include heparin, thrombin, or factor XA protease cleavage sites so that the cloned polypeptide of interest can be released from the GST moiety at will.

In the yeast, Saccharomyces cerevisiae, a number of vectors containing constitutive or inducible promoters such as alpha factor, alcohol oxidisse, and PGH may be used. For reviews, see Ausubel et al. (supra) and Grant et al. (198") Methods Enzymol. 153:516-544.

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In cases where plant expression vectors are used the expression of sequences encoding polypeptides may be driven by any of a number of promoters. For example, viral promoters such as the 35S and 19S promoters of CaMV may be used alone or in combination with the omega leader sequence from TMV (Takamatsu, N. (1987) EMBO J. 6:307-311. Alternatively, plant promoters such as the small subunit of RUBISCO or heat shock promoters may be used (Coruzzi, G. et al. (1984) EirBO J. 3:1671-1680; Broglie, R. et al. (1984) Science 224:838-843; and Winter, J. et al. (1991) Results Prabl. Cell Differ. 17:85-105). These constructs can be introduced into plant cells by direct DNA transformation or pathogen-mediated transfection. Such techniques are described in a number of generally available reviews (see, for example, Hobbs, S. or Murry, L. E. in McGraw Hill Yearbook of Science and Technology (1992) McGraw Hill, New York, N.Y.; pp. 191-196).

An insect system may also be used to express a polypeptide of interest. For example, in one such system, Autographa californica nuclear polyhecrosis virus (AcNPV) is used as a vector to express foreign genes in Spodoptera frupperda cells or in Trichoplusia larvae. The sequences encoding the polypeptide may be cloned into a non-essential region of the virus, such as the polyhedrin gene, and placed under control of the polyhedrin promoter. Successful insertion of the polypeptide-encoding sequence will render the polyhedrin gene inactive and produce recombinant virus lacking coat protein. The recombinant viruses may then be used to infect, for example, S. frugiperda cells or

Trichoplusia larvae in which the polypeptide of interest may be expressed (Engelhard, E. K. et al. (1994) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 91:3224-3227).

In mammalian host cells, a number of viral-based expression systems are generally available. For example, in cases where an adenovirus is used as an expression vector, sequences encoding a polypeptide of interest may be ligated into an adenovirus transcription/translation complex consisting of the late promoter and tripartite leader sequence. Insertion in a non-essential E1 or E3 region of the viral genome may be used to obtain a viable virus which is capable of expressing the polypeptide in infected host cells (Logan, J. and Shenk, T. (1984) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* 81:365:3-3659). In addition, transcription enhancers, such as the Rous sarcoma virus (RSV) enhancer, may be used to increase expression in mammalian host cells.

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Specific initiation signals may also be used to achieve more efficient translation of sequences encoding a polypeptide of interest. Such signals include the ATG initiation codon and adjacent sequences. In cases where sequences encoding the polypeptide, its initiation codon, and upstream sequences are inserted into the appropriate expression vector, no additional transcriptional or translational control signals may be needed. However, in cases where only coding sequence, or a portion thereof, is inserted, exogenous translational control signals including the ATG initiation codon should be provided. Furthermore, the initiation codon should be in the correct reading frame to ensure translation of the entire insert. Exogenous translational elements and initiation codons may be of various origins, both natural and synthetic. The efficiency of expression may be enhanced by the inclusion of enhancers which are appropriate for the particular cell system which is used, such as those described in the literature (Scharf, D. et al. (1994) Residis Probl. Cell Differ. 20:125-162).

In addition, a host cell strain may be chosen for its ability to modulate the expression of the inserted sequences or to process the expressed protein in the desired fashion. Such modifications of the polypeptide include, but are not limited to, acetylation, carboxylation, glycosylation, phosphorylation, lipidation, and acylatical Post-translational processing which cleaves a "prepro" form of the protein may also be used to facilitate

MDCK, HEK293, and WI38, which have specific cellular machinery and characteristic mechanisms for such post-translational activities, may be chosen to ensure the correct modification and processing of the foreign protein.

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For long-term, high-yield production of recombinant proteins, stable expression is generally preferred. For example, cell lines which stably express a polynucleotide of interest may be transformed using expression vectors which may contain viral origins of replication and/or endogenous expression elements and a selectable marker gene on the same or on a separate vector. Following the introduction of the vector, cells may be allowed to grow for 1-2 days in an enriched media before they are switched to selective media. The purpose of the selectable marker is to confer resistance to selection, and its presence allows growth and recovery of cells which successfully express the introduced sequences. Resistant clones of stably transformed cell; may be proliferated using tissue culture techniques appropriate to the cell type.

Any number of selection systems may be used to recover transformed cell lines. These include, but are not limited to, the herpes simplex virus thymidine kinase Wigler, M. et al. (1977) Cell 11:223-32) and adenine phosphoribos/stransferase (Lowy, I. et al. (1990) Cell 22:817-23) genes which can be employed in this up.- or aprt. sup.- cells, respectively. Also, antimetabolite, antibiotic or herbicide resistance can be used as the basis for selection; for example, dhfr which confers resistance to methotre cate (Wigler, M. et al. (1980) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 77:3567-70); npt, which confers resistance to the aminoglycosides, neomycin and G-418 (Colbere-Garapin, F. et al. (1981) J. Mol. Biol. 150:1-14); and als or pat, which confer resistance to chlorsulfuron and phosphinotricin acetyltransferase, respectively (Murry, supra). Additional selectable genes have been described, for example, trpB, which allows cells to utilize indole in place of tryptophan, or hisD, which allows cells to utilize histinol in place of histidine (Harman, S. C. and R. C. Mulligan (1988) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. 85:8047-51). The use of visible markers has gained popularity with such markers as anthocyanins, beta-glucuronidase and its substrate GUS, and luciferase and its substrate luciferin, being widely used not only to identify

transformants, but also to quantify the amount of transient or stable protein expression attributable to a specific vector system (Rhodes, C. A. et al. (1995) Methods Mol. Biol. 55:121-131).

Although the presence/absence of marker gene expression suggests that the gene of interest is also present, its presence and expression may need to be confirmed. For example, if the sequence encoding a polypeptide is inserted within a marker gene sequence, recombinant cells containing sequences can be identified by the absence of marker gene function. Alternatively, a marker gene can be placed in tandem with a polypeptide-encoding sequence under the control of a single promoter. Expression of the marker gene in response to induction or selection usually indicates expression of the tandem gene as well.

Alternatively, host cells that contain and express a desired polynucleotide sequence may be identified by a variety of procedures known to those of skill in the art. These procedures include, but are not limited to, DNA-DNA or DNA-RNA hybridizations and protein bioassay or immunoassay techniques which include, for example, membrane, solution, or chip based technologies for the detection and/or quantification of nucleic acid or protein.

A variety of protocols for detecting and measuring the expression of polynucleotide-encoded products, using either polyclonal or monoclonal antibodies specific for the product are known in the art. Examples include enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA), radioimmunoassay (RIA), and fluorescence activated cell sorting (FACS). A two-site, monoclonal-based immunoassay utilizing monoclonal antibodies reactive to two non-interfering epitopes on a given polypeptide may be preferred for some applications, but a competitive binding assay may also be employed. These and other assays are described, among other places, in Hampton, R. et al. (1990; Serological Methods, a Laboratory Manual, APS Press, St Paul. Minn.) and Maddox, D. E. et al. (1983; J. Exp. Med. 158:1211-1216).

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A wide variety of labels and conjugation techniques are known by those skilled in the art and may be used in various nucleic acid and amino acid assays. Means for producing labeled hybridization or PCR probes for detecting sequences related to

polynucleotides include oligolabeling, nick translation, end-labeling or PCR amplification using a labeled nucleotide. Alternatively, the sequences, or any portions thereof may be cloned into a vector for the production of an mRNA probe. Such vectors are known in the art, are commercially available, and may be used to synthesize RNA probes in vitro by addition of an appropriate RNA polymerase such as T7, T3, or SP6 and labeled nucleotides. These procedures may be conducted using a variety of commercially available kits. Suitable reporter molecules or labels, which may be used include radionuclides, enzymes, fluorescent, chemiluminescent, or chromogenic agents as well as substrates, cofactors, inhibitors, magnetic particles, and the like.

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Host cells transformed with a polynucleotide sequence of interest may be dultured under conditions suitable for the expression and recovery of the protein from cell culture. The protein produced by a recombinant cell may be secreted or contained intracellularly depending on the sequence and/or the vector used. As will be understood by those of skill in the art, expression vectors containing polynucleotides of the invention may be designed to contain signal sequences which direct secretion of the encoded polypeptide through a prokaryotic or eukaryotic cell membrane. Other recombinant constructions may be used to join sequences encoding a polypeptide of interest to nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide domain which will facilitate purification of soluble proteins. Such plurification facilitating domains include, but are not limited to, metal chelating peptides such as histidine-tryptophan modules that allow purification on unmobilized metals, protein A domains that allow purification on immobilized immunoglobulin, and the domain utilized in the FLAGS extension/affinity purification system (Immunex Corp., Seattle, Wash.). The inclusion of cleavable linker sequences such as those specific for Factor XA or enterokinase (Invitrogen. San Diego, Calif.) between the purification domain and the encoded polypeptide may be used to facilitate purification. One such expression vector provides for expression of a fusion protein containing a polypeptide of interest and a nucleic acid encoding 6 histidine residues preceding a thioredoxin or an enterokinase cleavage site. The histidine residues facilitate purification on IMIAC (immobilized metal ion affinity chromatography) as described in Porath, J. et al. (1992, Prc1 Exp. Purif. 3:26\beta281) while the enterokinase cleavage site provides a means for purifying the desired polypeptide from the fusion protein. A discussion of vectors which contain fusion proteins is provided in Kroll, D. J. et al. (1993; DNA Cell Biol. 12:441-453).

In addition to recombinant production methods, polypeptides of the invention, and fragments thereof, may be produced by direct peptide synthesis using solid-phase techniques (Merrifield J. (1963) J. Am. Chem. Soc. 85:2149-2154). Protein synthesis may be performed using manual techniques or by automation. Automated synthesis may be achieved, for example, using Applied Biosystems 431A Peptide Synthesizer (Perkin Elmer). Alternatively, various fragments may be chemically synthesized separately and combined using chemical methods to produce the full length molecule.

Antibody Compositions, Fragments Thereof and Other Binding Agents

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According to another aspect, the present invention further provides binding agents, such as antibodies and antigen-binding fragments thereof, that exhibit immunological binding to a tumor polypeptide disclosed herein, or to a portion, varian or derivative thereof. An antibody, or antigen-binding fragment thereof, is said to "specifically bind," "immunogically bind," and/or is "immunologically reactive" to a polypeptide of the invention if it reacts at a detectable level (within, for example, an ELISA assay) with the polypeptide, and does not react detectably with unrelated polypeptides under similar conditions.

Immunological binding, as used in this context, generally refers to the non-covalent interactions of the type which occur between an immunoglobulin molecule and an antigen for which the immunoglobulin is specific. The strength, or affinity of immunological binding interactions can be expressed in terms of the dissociation constant (K_d) of the interaction, wherein a smaller K_d represents a greater affinity. Immunological binding properties of selected polypeptides can be quantified using methods well known in the art. One such method entails measuring the rates of antigen-binding site/antigen complex formation and dissociation, wherein those rates depend on the concentrations of the complex partners, the affinity of the interaction, and on geometric parameters that

equally influence the rate in both directions. Thus, both the "on rate constant" (K_{on}) and the "off rate constant" (K_{on}) can be determined by calculation of the concentrations and the actual rates of association and dissociation. The ratio of K_{on} / K_{on} enables cancellation of all parameters not related to affinity, and is thus equal to the dissociation constant K_d . See, generally, Davies et al. (1990) Annual Rev. Biochem. 59:439-473.

An "antigen-binding site," or "binding portion" of an antibody refers to the part of the immunoglobulin molecule that participates in antigen binding. The antigen binding site is formed by amino acid residues of the N-terminal variable ("V") regions of the heavy ("H") and light ("L") chains. Three highly divergent stretches within the V regions of the heavy and light chains are referred to as "hypervariable regions" which are interposed between more conserved flanking stretches known as "framework regions," or "FRs". Thus the term "FR" refers to amino acid sequences which are naturally found between and adjacent to hypervariable regions in immunoglobulins. In an antibody molecule, the three hypervariable regions of a light chain and the three hypervariable regions of a heavy chain are disposed relative to each other in three dimensional space to form an antigen-binding surface. The antigen-binding surface is complementary to the three-dimensional surface of a bound antigen, and the three hypervariable regions of each of the heavy and light chains are referred to as "complementarity-determining regions," or "CDRs."

Binding agents may be further capable of differentiating between patients with and without a cancer, such as lung cancer, using the representative assays provided herein. For example, antibodies or other binding agents that bind to a tumor protein will preferably generate a signal indicating the presence of a cancer in at least about 20% of patients with the disease, more preferably at least about 30% of patients. Alternatively, or in addition, the antibody will generate a negative signal indicating the absence of the disease in at least about 90% of individuals without the cancer. To determine whether a binding agent satisfies this requirement, biological samples (e.g., blood, sera, sputum, urine analyor tumor biopsies) from patients with and without a cancer (as determined using standard clinical tests) may be assayed as described herein for the presence of polypeptides

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that bind to the binding agent. Preferably, a statistically significant number of samples with and without the disease will be assayed. Each binding agent should satisfy the above criteria; however, those of ordinary skill in the art will recognize that binding agents may be used in combination to improve sensitivity.

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example, a binding agent may be a ribosome, with or without a reptide component, an RNA molecule or a polypeptide. In a preferred embodiment, a binding agent is an antibody br an antigen-binding fragment thereof. Antibodies may be prepared by any of a variety of techniques known to those of ordinary skill in the art. See, e.g., Harlow and Lane, Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laborator, 1988. In general, antibodies can be produced by cell culture techniques, including the generation of monoclonal antibodies as described herein, or via transfection of antibody genes into suitable bacterial or mammalian cell hosts, in order to allow for the production of ecombinant antibodies. In one technique, an immunogen comprising the polypeptide is nitially injected into any of a wide variety of manmals (e.g., mice, rats, rabbits, sheep or goats). In this step, the polypeptides of this invention may serve as the immunogen without modification. Alternatively, particularly for relatively short polypeptides, a superior immune response may be elicited if the polypeptide is joined to a carrier protein, such as bovine serum albumin or keyhole limpet hemocyanin. The immunogen is injected into the animal host, preferably according to a predetermined schedule incorporating one or more booster immunizations, and the animals are bled periodically. Polyclonal antibodies specific for the polypeptide may then be purified from such antisera by, for example, affinity chromatography using the polypeptide coupled to a suitable solid support.

Monoclonal antibodies specific for an antigenic polypertide of interest may be prepared, for example, using the technique of Kohler and Milstein, Eur. J. Immunol. 6:511-519, 1976, and improvements thereto. Briefly, these methods involve the preparation of immortal cell lines capable of producing antibodies having the desired specificity (i.e., reactivity with the polypeptide of interest). Such cell lines may be produced, for example, from splcen cells obtained from an animal immunized as described

above. The spleen cells are then immortalized by, for example, fusion with a myeloma cell sision partner, preferably one that is syngeneic with the immunized animal. A variety of fusion techniques may be employed. For example, the spleen cells and myeloma cells may de combined with a nonionic detergent for a few minutes and then plated at low density on a selective medium that supports the growth of hybrid cells, but not myeloma cells. A preferred selection technique uses HAT (hypoxanthine, aminopterin, thymidine) selection. After a sufficient time, usually about 1 to 2 weeks, colonies of hybrids are observed. Single colonies are selected and their culture supernatants tested for binding activity against the polypeptide. Hybridomas having high reactivity and specificity are preferred.

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Monoclonal antibodies may be isolated from the supernatants of growing hybridoma colonies. In addition, various techniques may be employed to enhance the yield, such as injection of the hybridoma cell line into the peritoneal cavity of a suitable vertebrate host, such as a mouse. Monoclonal antibodies may then be harvested from the ascites fluid or the blood. Contaminants may be removed from the antibodies by 15 conventional techniques, such as chromatography, gel intration precipitation, and extraction. The polypeptides of this invention may be used in the purification process in. fdr example, an affinity chromatography step.

A number of therapeutically useful molecules are known in the art which comprise antigen-binding sites that are capable of exhibiting immunological binding 20 properties of an antibody molecule. The proteolytic enzyme papain preferentially cleaves IgG molecules to yield several fragments, two of which (the "F(ab)" fragments) each comprise a covalent heterodimer that includes an intact antigen-binding site. The enzyme pepsin is able to cleave IgG molecules to provide several fragments, including the "F(ab')2!" fragment which comprises both antigen-binding sites. An "Fv" fragment can be produced 25 by preferential proteolytic cleavage of an IgM, and on rare occasions IgG or IgA immunoglobulin molecule. Fv fragments are, however, more commonly derived using redombinant techniques known in the art. The Fv fragment includes a non-covalent VH::VL heterodimer including an antigen-binding site which retains much of the antigen recognition and binding capabilities of the native antibody molecule. inbar et al. (1972)

Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA 69:2659-2662; Hochman et al. (1976) Bicchem 15:2706-2710; and Ehrlich et al. (1980) Biochem 19:4091-4096.

A single chain Fv ("sFv") polypeptide is a covalently linked V_H: V_L heterodimer which is expressed from a gene fusion including V_H- and V_L-encoding genes linked by a peptide-encoding linker. Huston et al. (1988) Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA \$5(16):5879-5883. A number of methods have been described to discern chemical structures for converting the naturally aggregated-but chemically separated-light and heavy polypeptide chains from an antibody V region into at sFv molecule which will fold into a three dimensional structure substantially similar to the structure of an antigenbinding site. See, e.g., U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,091,513 and 5,132,405, to Huston et al.; and U.S. Pat. No. 4,946,778, to Ladner et al.

Each of the above-described molecules includes a heavy chain and a light chain CDR set, respectively interposed between a heavy chain and a light chain FR set which provide support to the CDRS and define the spatial relationship of the CDRs relative to each other. As used herein, the term "CDR set" refers to the three hypervariable regions of a heavy or light chain V region. Proceeding from the N-terminus of a heavy or light chain, these regions are denoted as "CDR1," "CDR2," and "CDR3" respectively. An antigen-binding site, therefore, includes six CDRs, comprising the CDR set from each of a heavy and a light chain V region. A polypeptide comprising a single CDR, (e.g., a CDR1, CDR2 or CDR3) is referred to herein as a "molecular recognition unit." Crystallographic analysis of a number of antigen-antibody complexes has demonstrated that the amino acid residues of CDRs form extensive contact with bound antigen, wherein the most extensive antigen contact is with the heavy chain CDR3. Thus, the molecular recognition units are primarily responsible for the specificity of an antigen-binding site.

As used herein, the term "FR set" refers to the four flanking amino acid sequences which frame the CDRs of a CDR set of a heavy or light chain V region. Some FR residues may contact bound antigen; however, FRs are primarily responsible for folding the V region into the antigen-binding site, particularly the FR residues directly adjacent to the CDRS. Within FRs, certain amino residues and certain structural features are very

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highly conserved. In this regard, all V region sequences contain an internal disulfide loop of around 90 amino acid residues. When the V regions fold into a binding-site, the CDRs are displayed as projecting loop motifs which form an antigen-binding surface. It is generally recognized that there are conserved structural regions of FRs which influence the folded shape of the CDR loops into certain "canonical" structures—regardless of the precise CDR amino acid sequence. Further, certain FR residues are known to participate in non-covalent interdomain contacts which stabilize the interaction of the antibody heavy and light chairs.

A number of "humanized" antibody molecules comprising an antigen-binding site derived from a non-human immunoglobulin have been described, including chimeric antibodies having rodent V regions and their associated CDRs fused to human constant domains (Winter et al. (1991) Nature 349:293-299; Lobuglio et al. (1989) Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA 86:4220-4224; Shaw et al. (1987) J Immunol. 138:4534-4538; and Hrown et al. (1987) Cancer Res. 47:3577-3583), rodent CDRs grafted into a human supporting FR prior to fusion with an appropriate human antibocy constant domain (Riechmann et al. (1988) Nature 332:323-327; Verhoeyen et al. (1983) Science 239:1534-1536; and Jones et al. (1986) Nature 321:522-525), and rodent CDRs supported by recombinantly veneered rodent FRs (European Patent Publication No. 519,596, published Dec. 23, 1992). These "humanized" molecules are designed to minimize unwanted immunological response toward rodent antihuman antibody molecules which limits the duration and effectiveness of therapeutic applications of those moieties in human recipients.

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As used herein, the terms "veneered FRs" and "recombinantly veneered FRs" refer to the selective replacement of FR residues from, e.g., a rodent heavy or light chain V region, with human FR residues in order to provide a xenogeneic molecule comprising an antigen-binding site which retains substantially all of the native FR polypeptide folding structure. Veneering techniques are based on the understanding that the ligand binding characteristics of an antigen-binding site are determined primarily by the structure and relative disposition of the heavy and light chain CDR sets within the antigen-binding surface. Davies et al. (1990) Ann. Rev. Biochem. 59:439-473. Thus, antigen

structures, their interaction with each other, and their interaction with the rest of the V region domains are carefully maintained. By using veneering techniques, exterior (e.g., solvent-accessible) FR residues which are readily encountered by the immune system are selectively replaced with human residues to provide a hybrid molecule that comprises either a weakly immunogenic, or substantially non-immunogenic veneered surface.

The process of veneering makes use of the available sequence data for human antibody variable domains compiled by Kabat et al., in Sequences of Proteins of Immunological Interest, 4th ed., (U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, U.S. Government Printing Office, 1987), updates to the Kabat database, and other accessible U.S. and foreign databases (both nucleic acid and protein). Solvent accessibilities of V region amino acids can be deduced from the known three-dimensional structure for human and murine antibody fragments. There are two general steps in veneering a murine antigenbinding site. Initially, the FRs of the variable domains of an antibody molecule of interest are compared with corresponding FR sequences of human variable domains obtained from the above-identified sources. The most homologous human V regions are then compared residue by residue to corresponding murine amino acids. The residues in the murine HR which differ from the human counterpart are replaced by the residues present in the human molety using recombinant techniques well known in the art. Residue switching is only carried out with moieties which are at least partially exposed (solvent micessible), and care is exercised in the replacement of amino acid residues which may have a significant effect on the tertiary structure of V region domains, such as proline, glycine and charged amino acids.

In this manner, the resultant "veneered" murine antigen-binding sites are thus designed to retain the murine CDR residues, the residues substantially adjacent to the CDRs, the residues identified as buried or mostly buried (solvent inaccessible), the residues believed to participate in non-covalent (e.g., electrostatic and hydrophobic) contacts between heavy and light chain domains, and the residues from conserved structural regions of the FRs which are believed to influence the "canonical" tertiary structures of the CDR

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loops. These design criteria are then used to prepare recombinant nucleotide sequences which combine the CDRs of both the heavy and light chain of a nurine antigen-binding site into human-appearing FRs that can be used to transfect manufalian cells for the expression of recombinant human antibodies which exhibit the antigen specificity of the murine antibody molecule.

In another embodiment of the invention, monoclonal antibodies of the present invention may be coupled to one or more therapeutic agents. Suitable agents in this regard include radionuclides, differentiation inducers, drugs, toxius, and derivatives thereof. Preferred radionuclides include ⁹⁰Y, ¹²³I, ¹²⁵I, ¹³¹I, ¹⁸⁶Re, ¹⁸¹Re, ²¹¹At, and ²¹²Bi. Preferred drugs include methotrexate, and pyrimidine and purine analogs. Preferred differentiation inducers include phorbol esters and butyric acid. Preferred toxins include ricin, abrin, diptheria toxin, cholera toxin, gelonin, Pseudomona, exotoxin, Shigella toxin, and pokeweed antiviral protein.

A therapeutic agent may be coupled (e.g., co ently bended) to a suitable monoclonal antibody either directly or indirectly (e.g., via a sker group). A direct reaction between an agent and an antibody is possible when each passesses a substituent capable of reacting with the other. For example, a nucleophilic group, such as an emino or sulfhydryl group, on one may be capable of reacting with a carbonyl-containing group, such as an anhydride or an acid halide, or with an alkyl group containing a good leaving group (e.g., a halide) on the other.

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Alternatively, it may be desirable to couple a therapeutic agent and an antibody via a linker group. A linker group can function as a spacer to distance an antibody from an agent in order to avoid interference with binding capabilities. A linker group can also serve to increase the chemical reactivity of a substituent on an agent or an antibody, and thus increase the coupling efficiency. An increase in chemical reactivity may also facilitate the use of agents, or functional groups on agents, which otherwise would not be possible.

It will be evident to those skilled in the art that a variety of bifunctional or polyfunctional reagents, both homo- and hetero-functional (such as those described in the

catalog of the Pierce Chemical Co., Rockford, IL), may be employed as the linker group. Coupling may be effected, for example, through amino groups, carboxyl groups, sulfhydryl groups or oxidized carbohydrate residues. There are numerous references describing such methodology, e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,671,958, to Rodwell et al.

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Where a therapeutic agent is more potent when free from the antibody portion of the immunoconjugates of the present invention, may be desirable to use a linker group which is cleavable during or upon internalization into a cell. A number of different cleavable linker groups have been describe. The mechanisms for the intracellular release of an agent from these linker groups include cleavage by reduction of a disulfide bond (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,489,710, to Spitler), by irradiation of a photolabile bond (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,625,014, to Senter et al.), by hydrolysis of derivatized amino acid side chains (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,638,045, to Kohn et al.), by serum complement-mediated hydrolysis (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,6671,958, to Rodwell et al.), and acid-catalyzed hydrolysis (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,569,789, to Blattler et al.).

It may be desirable to couple more than one agent to an antibody. In one embodiment, multiple molecules of an agent are coupled to one antibody molecule. In another embodiment, more than one type of agent may be coupled to one antibody. Regardless of the particular embodiment, immunoconjugates with more than one agent may be prepared in a variety of ways. For example, more than one agent may be coupled directly to an antibody molecule, or linkers that provide multiple sites for attachment can be used. Alternatively, a carrier can be used.

A carrier may bear the agents in a variety of ways, including covalent bending either directly or via a linker group. Suitable carriers include proteins such as albumins (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,507,234, to Kato et al.), peptides and polysaccharides such as aminodextran (e.g., U.S. Patent No. 4,699,784, to Shih et al.). A carrier may also bear an agent by noncovalent bonding or by encapsulation, such as within a liposome vesicle (e.g., U.S. Patent Nos. 4,429,008 and 4,873,088). Carriers specific for radionuclide agents include radiohalogenated small molecules and chelating compounds. For example, U.S. Patent No. 4,735,792 discloses representative radiohalogenated small molecules and

their synthesis. A radionuclide chelate may be formed from chelating compounds that include those containing nitrogen and sulfur atoms as the donor atoms for binding the metal, or metal oxide, radionuclide. For example, U.S. Patent No. 4,673,562, to Davison et al. discloses representative chelating compounds and their synthesis.

5 T Cell Compositions

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The present invention, in another aspect, provides T cells specific for a tumor polypeptide disclosed herein, or for a variant or derivative thereof. Such cells may generally be prepared in vitro or ex vivo, using standard procedures. For example, T cells may be isolated from bone marrow, peripheral blood, or a fraction of bone marrow or peripheral blood of a patient, using a commercially available cell separation system, such as the IsolexTM System, available from Nexell Therapeutics, Inc. (Irvine, CA; see also U.S. Patent No. 5,240,856; U.S. Patent No. 5,215,926; WO 89/06280; WO 91/16116 and WO 92/07243). Alternatively, T cells may be derived from related or unrelated humans, non-human mammals, cell lines or cultures.

T cells may be stimulated with a polypeptide, polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide and/or an antigen presenting cell (APC) that expresses such a polypeptide. Such stimulation is performed under conditions and for a time sufficient to permit the generation of T cells that are specific for the polypeptide of interest. Freferably, a turnor polypeptide or polynucleotide of the invention is present within a delivery vehicle, such as a microsphere, to facilitate the generation of specific T cells.

T cells are considered to be specific for a polypeptide of the present invention if the T cells specifically proliferate, secrete cytokines or kill target cells coated with the polypeptide or expressing a gene encoding the polypeptide. Total specificity may be evaluated using any of a variety of standard techniques. For example, within a chromium release assay or proliferation assay, a stimulation index of more than two fold increase in lysis and/or proliferation, compared to negative controls, indicates T cell specificity. Such assays may be performed, for example, as described in Chen et al., Cancer Res. 54:1065-1070, 1994. Alternatively, detection of the proliferation of T cells

may be accomplished by a variety of known techniques. For example, T cell proliferation can be detected by measuring an increased rate of DNA synthesis (e.g., by pulse-labeling cultures of T cells with tritiated thymidine and measuring the amount of tritiated thymidine mcorporated into DNA). Contact with a tumor polypeptide (100 ng/ml - 100 µg/ml, preferably 200 ng/ml - 25 µg/ml) for 3 - 7 days will typically result in at least a two fold increase in proliferation of the T cells. Contact as described above for 2-3 hours should result in activation of the T cells, as measured using standard cytokine assays in which a two fold increase in the level of cytokine release (e.g., TNF or IFN-γ) is indicative of T cell activation (see Coligan et al., Current Protocols in Immunology, vol. 1, Wiley Interscience (Greene 1998)). T cells that have been activated in response to a tumor polypeptide, polynucleotide or polypeptide-expressing APC may be CD4⁺ and/or CD8⁺. Tumor polypeptide-specific T cells may be expanded using standard techniques. Within preferred embodiments, the T cells are derived from a patient, a related donor or an unrelated donor, and are administered to the patient following stimulation and expansion.

For therapeutic purposes, CD4+ or CD8+ T cells that proliferate in response to a tumor polypeptide, polynucleotide or APC can be expanded in number either in viavo or in vivo. Proliferation of such T cells in vitro may be accomplished in a variety of ways. For example, the T cells can be re-exposed to a tumor polypeptide, or a short peptide corresponding to an immunogenic portion of such a polypeptide, with or without the addition of T cell growth factors, such as interleukin-2, and/or stimulator cells that synthesize a tumor polypeptide. Alternatively, one or more T cells that proliferate in the presence of the tumor polypeptide can be expanded in number by clening. Methods for cloning cells are well known in the art, and include limiting dilution.

Pharmaceutical Compositions

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In additional embodiments, the present invention concerns formulation of one or more of the polynucleotide, polypeptide, T-cell and/or antibody compositions disclosed herein in pharmaceutically-acceptable carriers for administration to a cell or an arimal, either alone, or in combination with one or more other modalities of therapy.

It will be understood that, if desired, a composition as disclosed herein may be administered in combination with other agents as well, such as, i.g., other proteins or polypeptides or various pharmaceutically-active agents. In fact, there is virtually no limit to other components that may also be included, given that the additional agents do not cause a significant adverse effect upon contact with the target cells or host tissues. The compositions may thus be delivered along with various other agents as required in the particular instance. Such compositions may be purified from host cells or other biological sources, or alternatively may be chemically synthesized as described herein. Likewise, such compositions may further comprise substituted or derivatived RNA or DNA compositions.

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Therefore, in another aspect of the present invention, pharmaceutical compositions are provided comprising one or more of the polynuc cotide, polypeptide, antibody, and/or T-cell compositions described herein in combination with a physiologically acceptable carrier. In certain preferred embodiments, the pharmaceutical compositions of the invention comprise immunogenic polynucleotide and/or polypeptide compositions of the invention for use in prophylactic and theraputic vaccine applications. Vaccine preparation is generally described in, for example, M.F. Powell and M.J. Newman, eds., "Vaccine Design (the subunit and adjuvant approach)," Plenum Press (NY, 1995). Generally, such compositions will comprise one or more polynucleotide and/or polypeptide compositions of the present invention in combination with one or more immunostimulants.

It will be apparent that any of the pharmaceutical compositions described herein can contain pharmaceutically acceptable salts of the polynucleotides and polypeptides of the invention. Such salts can be prepared, for example, from pharmaceutically acceptable non-toxic bases, including organic bases (e.g., salts of primary secondary and tertiary amines and basic amino acids) and inorganic bases (e.g., sodium potassium, lithium, ammonium, calcium and magnesium salts).

In another embodiment, illustrative immunogenic compositions, e.g., vaccine compositions, of the present invention comprise DNA encoding one or more of the polypeptides as described above, such that the polypeptide is generated in situ. As noted

above, the polynucleotide may be administered within any of a variety of delivery systems known to those of ordinary skill in the art. Indeed, numerous gene delivery techniques are well known in the art, such as those described by Rolland, Crit. Rev. Therap. Drug Carrier Systems 15:143-198, 1998, and references cited therein. Appropriate polynucleotide expression systems will, of course, contain the necessary regulatory DNA regulatory tequences for expression in a patient (such as a suitable promoter and terminating signal). Alternatively, bacterial delivery systems may involve the administration of a bacterium (such as Bacillus-Calmette-Guerrin) that expresses an immunogenic portion of the polypeptide on its cell surface or secretes such an epitope.

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Therefore, in certain embodiments, polynucleotides encoding immunogenic polypeptides described herein are introduced into suitable mammalian host cells for expression using any of a number of known viral-based system; In one illustrative embodiment, retroviruses provide a convenient and effective platform for gene delivery systems. A selected nucleotide sequence encoding a polypeptide of the present invention can be inserted into a vector and packaged in retroviral particles using techniques known in the art. The recombinant virus can then be isolated and delivered to a subject. A number of illustrative retroviral systems have been described (e.g., U.S. Pat. N.). 5,219,740; Miller and Rosman (1989) BioTechniques 7:980-990, Miller, A. D. (1990) Human Gene Therapy 1:5-14; Scarpa et al. (1991) Virology 180:349-852; Burns et al. (1993) Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 90:8033-8037; and Boris-Lawrie and Temin (1993) Cur. Cpin. Genet. Develop. 3:102-109.

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In addition, a number of illustrative adenovirus-based systems have also been described. Unlike retroviruses which integrate into the host genome, adenoviruses persist extrachromosomally thus minimizing the risks associated with insertional mutagenesis (Haj-Ahmad and Graham (1986) J. Virol. 57:267-274; Bett et al. (1993) J. Virol. 67:5911-5921; Mittereder et al. (1994) Human Gene Therapy 5:717-729; Seth et al. (1994) J. Virol. 68:933-940; Barr et al. (1994) Gene Therapy 1:51-58; Berkner, K. L. (1988) BioTechniques 6:616-629; and Rich et al. (1993) Human Gene Therapy 4:461-476).

Various adeno-associated virus (AAV) vector systems have also leen developed for polynucleotide delivery. AAV vectors can be readily constructed using techniques well known in the art. See, e.g., U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,173,414 and 5,139,941; International Publication Nos. WO 92/01070 and WO 93/03769; Letkowski et al. (1988) Molec. Cell. Biol. 8:3988-3996; Vincent et al. (1990) Vaccines 90 (Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press); Carter, B. J. (1992) Current Opinion in Biotechnology 3:533-539; Muzyczka, N. (1992) Current Topics in Microbiol. and Immunol. 158:97-129; Kotin, R. M. (1994) Human Gene Therapy 5:793-801; Shelling and Smith (1994) Gene Therapy 1:165-169; and Zhou et al. (1994) J. Exp. Med. 179:1867-1875.

Additional viral vectors useful for delivering the polyrucleotides encoding polypeptides of the present invention by gene transfer include those derived from the pox family of viruses, such as vaccinia virus and avian poxvirus. By way of example, vaccinia virus recombinants expressing the novel molecules can be constructed as follows. The DNA encoding a polypeptide is first inserted into an appropriate vector so that it is adjacent to a vaccinia promoter and flanking vaccinia DNA sequences, such as the sequence encoding thymidine kinase (TK). This vector is then used to transfect cells which are simultaneously infected with vaccinia. Homologous recombination serves to insert the vaccinia promoter plus the gene encoding the polypeptide of interest into the viral genome. The resulting TK.sup.(-) recombinant can be selected by culturing the cells in the presence of 5-bromodeoxyuridine and picking viral plaques resistant thereto.

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A vaccinia-based infection/transfection system can be conveniently used to provide for inducible, transient expression or coexpression of one or more polypeptides described herein in host cells of an organism. In this particular system, cells are first infected in vitro with a vaccinia virus recombinant that encodes the bacteriophage T7 RNA polymerase. This polymerase displays exquisite specificity in that it only transcribes templates bearing T7 promoters. Following infection, cells are transfected with the polynucleotide or polynucleotides of interest, driven by a T7 promoter. The polymerase expressed in the cytoplasm from the vaccinia virus recombinant transcribes the transfected DNA into RNA which is then translated into polypeptide by the host translational

machinery. The method provides for high level, transient, cytoplasmic production of large quantities of RNA and its translation products. See, e.g., Elroy-Stein and Moss, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA (1990) 87:6743-6747; Fuerst et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA (1986) 83:8122-8126.

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Alternatively, avipoxviruses, such as the fowlpox and canarypox viruses, can also be used to deliver the coding sequences of interest. Recombinant avipox viruses, expressing immunogens from mammalian pathogens, are known to confer protective immunity when administered to non-avian species. The use of an Avipox vector is particularly desirable in human and other mammalian species since members of the Avipox genus can only productively replicate in susceptible avian species and therefore are not infective in mammalian cells. Methods for producing recombinant Avipoxviruses are known in the art and employ genetic recombination, as described above with respect to the production of vaccinia viruses. See, e.g., WO 91/12882; WO 89/03429, and WO 92/03545.

Any of a number of alphavirus vectors can also be used for delivery of polynucleotide compositions of the present invention, such as those vectors described in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,843,723; 6,015,686; 6,008,035 and 6,015,694. Certain vectors based on Venezuelan Equine Encephalitis (VEE) can also be used, illustrative examples of which can be found in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,505,947 and 5,643,576.

Moreover, molecular conjugate vectors, such as the adenovirus chimeric vectors described in Michael et al. J. Biol. Chem. (1993) 268:6866-6869 and Wagner et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA (1992) 89:6099-6103, can also be used for 32ne delivery under the invention.

Additional illustrative information on these and other known viral-based delivery systems can be found, for example, in Fisher-Hoch et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 86:317-321, 1989; Flexner et al., Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci. 569:86-103, 1989; Flexner et al., Vaccine 8:17-21, 1990; U.S. Patent Nos. 4,603,112, 4,769,330, and 5,017,487, WO 89/01973; U.S. Patent No. 4,777,127; GB 2,200,651; EP 0,345,242; WO 91/02805; Bertner, Biotechniques 6:616-627, 1988; Rosenfeld et al., Science 252:431-434, 1991; Kolls et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 91:215-219, 1994; Kass-Eisler et al., Proc. Natl.

Acad. Sci. USA 90:11498-11502, 1993; Guzman et al., Circulation &8:2838-2848, 1993; and Guzman et al., Cir. Res. 73:1202-1207, 1993.

In certain embodiments, a polynucleotide may be integrated into the genome of a target cell. This integration may be in the specific location and orientation via homologous recombination (gene replacement) or it may be integrated in a random, non-specific location (gene augmentation). In yet further embodiments, the polynucleotide may be stably maintained in the cell as a separate, episomal segment of DNA. Such polynucleotide segments or "episomes" encode sequences sufficient to permit maintenance and replication independent of or in synchronization with the host cell cycle. The manner in which the expression construct is delivered to a cell and where in the cell the polynucleotide remains is dependent on the type of expression construct employed.

In another embodiment of the invention, a polynucleotide is administered/delivered as "naked" DNA, for example as described in Ulmer et al., Science 259:1745-1749, 1993 and reviewed by Cohen, Science 259:1691-1692, 1993. The uptake of naked DNA may be increased by coating the DNA onto biodegradable beads, which are efficiently transported into the cells.

In still another embodiment, a composition of the present invention can be delivered via a particle bombardment approach, many of which have been described. In one illustrative example, gas-driven particle acceleration can be achieved with devices such as those manufactured by Powderject Pharmaceuticals PLC (Oxford, UE) and Powderject Vaccines Inc. (Madison, WI), some examples of which are described in U.S. Patent Nos 5,846,796; 6,010,478; 5,865,796; 5,584,807; and EP Patent No. 0500 799. This approach offers a needle-free delivery approach wherein a dry powder formulation of microscopid particles, such as polynucleotide or polypeptide particles, are accelerated to high speed within a helium gas jet generated by a hand held device, propelling the particles into a target tissue of interest.

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In a related embodiment, other devices and methods that may be useful for gas-driven needle-less injection of compositions of the present invention include those provided by Bioject, Inc. (Portland, OR), some examples of which are described in U.S.

Hatent Nos. 4,790,824; 5,064,413; 5,312,335; 5,383,851; 5,399,163; 5,520,639 and 5,993,412.

According to another embodiment, the pharmaceutical compositions described herein will comprise one or more immunostimulants in addition to the immunogenic polynucleotide, polypeptide, antibody, T-cell and/or Al'C compositions of this invention. An immunostimulant refers to essentially an, substance that enhances or potentiates an immune response (antibody and/or cell-mediated) to an exogenous antigen. One preferred type of immunostimulant comprises an adjuvant. Many adjuvants contain a substance designed to protect the antigen from rapid catabolism, such as aluminum hydroxide or mineral oil, and a stimulator of immune responses, such as lipid A, Bortadelia pertussis or Mycobacterium tuberculosis derived proteins. Certain adjuvants are commercially available as, for example, Freund's Incomplete Adjuvant and Complete Adjuvant (Difco Laboratories, Detroit, MI); Merck Adjuvant 65 (Merck and Company, Inc., Rahway, NJ); AS-2 (SmithKline Beecham, Philadelphia, PA); aluminum salts such as aluminum hydroxide gel (alum) or aluminum phosphate; salts of calcium, iron or zinc; an insoluble suspension of acylated tyrosine; acylated sugars; cationically or anionically polysaccharides: polyphosphazenes; biodegradable: microspheres; mednophosphoryl lipid A and quil A. Cytokines, such as GM-CSF, interleukin-2, -7, -12, and other like growth factors, may also be used as adjuvants.

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Within certain embodiments of the invention, the adjuvant composition is preferably one that induces an immune response predominantly of the Th1 type. High levels of Th1-type cytokines (e.g., IFN-γ, TNFα, IL-2 and IL-12) tend to favor the induction of cell mediated immune responses to an administered antigen. In contrast, high levels of Th2-type cytokines (e.g., IL-4, IL-5, IL-6 and IL-10) tend to favor the induction of humoral immune responses. Following application of a vaccine as provided herein, a patient will support an immune response that includes Th1- and Th2-type responses. Within a preferred embodiment, in which a response is predominantly Th1-type, the level of Th1-type cytokines will increase to a greater extent than the level of Th2-type cytokines. The levels of these cytokines may be readily assessed using standard assays. For a review

of the families of cytokines, see Mosmann and Coffman, Ann. Rev. immunol. 7:145-173,

Certain preferred adjuvants for eliciting a predominantly Th1-type response include, for example, a combination of monophosphoryl lipid A, preferably 3-de O-acylated monophosphoryl lipid A, together with an aluminum salt. IMPL® adjuvants are available from Corixa Corporation (Seattle, WA; see, for example, US Patent Nps. 4436,727; 4,877,611; 4,866,034 and 4,912,094). CpG-containing oligonucleotides in which the CpG dinucleotide is unmethylated) also induce a predominantly Th1 response. Such oligonucleotides are well known and are described, for example, in WO 96/02555, WO 99/33488 and U.S. Patent Nos. 6,008,200 and 5,856,462. Intrinspositional latery DNA sequences are also described, for example, by Sato et al., Science 273:552, 1996. Another preferred adjuvant comprises a saponin, such as Quil A, or derivatives thereof, including OS21 and QS7 (Aquila Biopharmaceuticals Inc., Framingham, MA); Escin; Digitonin; or Gypsophila or Chenopodium quinoa saponins. Other preferred formulations include more than one saponin in the adjuvant combinations of the present invention, for example combinations of at least two of the following group comprising QS21, QS7, Quil A, β-escin, or digitonin.

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Alternatively the saponin formulations may be combined with vaccine vehicles composed of chitosan or other polycationic polymers, polylactide and polylactide-co-glycolide particles, poly-N-acetyl glucosamine-based polymer matrix, particles composed of polysaccharides or chemically modified polysaccharides, liposomes and lipid-based particles, particles composed of glycerol monoesters, etc. The saponins may also be formulated in the presence of cholesterol to form particulate structures such as liposomes of ISCOMs. Furthermore, the saponins may be formulated together with a polyoxyethylene ether or ester, in either a non-particulate solution or suspension, or in a particulate structure such as a paucilamelar liposome or ISCOM. The saponins may also be formulated with excepients such as Carbopol^R to increase viscosity, or may be formulated in a dry powder form with a powder excipient such as lactose.

In one preferred embodiment, the adjuvant system includes the combination of a monophosphoryl lipid A and a saponin derivative, such as the combination of QS21 and 3D-MPL® adjuvant, as described in WO 94/00153, or a less reactogenic composition where the QS21 is quenched with cholesterol, as described in WC 96/33739. Other preferred formulations comprise an oil-in-water emulsion and tocopherol. Another particularly preferred adjuvant formulation employing QS21, 3D-lv/PL® adjuvant and tocopherol in an oil-in-water emulsion is described in WO 95/17210.

Another enhanced adjuvant system involves the combination of a CpG-containing oligonucleotide and a saponin derivative particularly the combination of CpG and QS21 is disclosed in WO 00/09159. Preferably the formulation additionally comprises an oil in water emulsion and tocopherol.

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Additional illustrative adjuvants for use in the pharmaceutical compositions of the invention include Montanide ISA 720 (Seppic, France), SAF (Chiron, California, United States), ISCOMS (CSL), MF-59 (Chiron), the SBAS series of adjuvants (e.g., SBAS-2 or SBAS-4, available from SmithKline Beecham, Rixensart, Belgium), Detox (Enhanzyn[®]) (Corixa, Hamilton, MT), RC-529 (Corixa, Hamilton, MT) and other aminoalkyl glucosaminide 4-phosphates (AGPs), such as those described in pending U.S. Patent Application Serial Nos. 08/853,826 and 09/074,720, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entireties, and polyoxyethylene ether adjuvants such as those described in WO 99/52549A1.

Other preferred adjuvants include adjuvant molecules of the general formula (I): HO(CH₂CH₂O)_n-A-R,

wherein, n is 1-50, A is a bond or -C(O)-, R is C₁₋₅₀ alkyl or Phenyl C₁₋₅₀ alkyl.

One embodiment of the present invention consists of a varcine formulation comprising a polyoxyethylene ether of general formula (I), wherein n is between 1 and 50, preferably 4-24, most preferably 9; the R component is $C_{1.50}$, preferably C_4 - C_{20} alkyl and most preferably C_{12} alkyl, and A is a bond. The concentration of the polyoxyethylene ethers should be in the range 0.1-20%, preferably from 0.1-10%, and most preferably in the range 0.1-1%. Preferred polyoxyethylene ethers are selected from the following group:

polyoxyethylene-9-lauryl ether, polyoxyethylene-9-steoryl ether, polyoxyethylene-8-steoryl polyoxyethylene-4-lauryl ether, polyoxyethylene-35-lauryl polyoxyethylene-23-lauryl ether. Polyoxyethylene ethers such as polyoxyethylene lauryl ether are described in the Merck index (12th edition: entry 7717). These adjuvant molecules are described in WO 99/52549.

The polyoxyethylene ether according to the general formula (I) above may, if desired, be combined with another adjuvant. For example, a preferred adjuvant combination is preferably with CpG as described in the pending UK petent application GB 9820956.2.

10 According to another embodiment of this invention, an immunogenic composition described herein is delivered to a host via antigen presenting cells (APCs), such as dendritic cells, macrophages, B cells, monocytes and other cells that may be erigineered to be efficient APCs. Such cells may, but need not, be genetically modified to increase the capacity for presenting the antigen, to improve activation and/or maintenance of the T cell response, to have anti-tumor effects per se and/or to be immunologically compatible with the receiver (i.e., matched HLA haplotype). APC; may generally be isolated from any of a variety of biological fluids and organs, including tumor and peritumoral tissues, and may be autologous, allogeneic, syngeneic or xemogeneic cells.

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Certain preferred embodiments of the present invention use dendritic cells of progenitors thereof as antigen-presenting cells. Dendritic cells are highly potent APCs (Banchereau and Steinman, Nature 392:245-251, 1998) and have been shown to be effective as a physiological adjuvant for eliciting prophylactic or therapeutic antitumor immunity (see Timmerman and Levy, Ann. Rev. Med. 50:507-529, 1999). In general, endritic cells may be identified based on their typical shape (stellate in situ, with marked cytoplasmic processes (dendrites) visible in vitro), their ability to take up, process and resent antigens with high efficiency and their ability to activate naïve T cell responses. Dendritic cells may, of course, be engineered to express specific cell-stuface receptors or ligands that are not commonly found on dendritic cells in vivo or ev vivo, and such modified dendritic cells are contemplated by the present invention. As an alternative to

dendritic cells, secreted vesicles antigen-loaded dendritic cells (called exosomes) may be used within a vaccine (see Zitvogel et al., Nature Med. 4:594-600, 1993).

Dendritic cells and progenitors may be obtained from peripheral blood, bone marrow, tumor-infiltrating cells, peritumoral tissues-infiltrating cells, lymph nodes, spleen, skin, umbilical cord blood or any other suitable tissue or fluid. For example, dendritic cells may be differentiated ex vivo by adding a combination of cytokines such as GM-CSF, II 4, IL-13 and/or TNFa to cultures of monocytes harvested from peripheral blood. Alternatively, CD34 positive cells harvested from peripheral blood, unbilical cord blood or bone marrow may be differentiated into dendritic cells by adding to the culture medium combinations of GM-CSF, IL-3, TNFa, CD40 ligand, LPS, flt3 ligand and/or other compound(s) that induce differentiation, maturation and proliferation of dendritic cells.

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Dendritic cells are conveniently categorized as "immature" and "mature" cells, which allows a simple way to discriminate between two well characterized phenotypes. However, this nomenclature should not be construed to exclude all possible intermediate stages of differentiation. Immature dendritic cells are characterized as APC with a high capacity for antigen uptake and processing, which correlates with the high expression of Fcy receptor and mannose receptor. The mature phenotype is typically characterized by a lower expression of these markers, but a high expression of cell surface molecules responsible for T cell activation such as class I and class II MHC, adhesion molecules (e.g., CD54 and CD11) and costimulatory molecules (e.g., CD40, CD80, CD86 and 4-1BB).

APCs may generally be transfected with a polynucleotide of the invention (or portion or other variant thereof) such that the encoded polypeptide, or an immunogenic portion thereof, is expressed on the cell surface. Such transfection may take place ex vivo, and a pharmaceutical composition comprising such transfected cells may then be used for the apeutic purposes, as described herein. Alternatively, a gene delivery which that targets a dendritic or other antigen presenting cell may be administered to a patient, resulting in transfection that occurs in vivo. In vivo and ex vivo transfection of dendritic cells, for example, may generally be performed using any methods known in the art, such as those

described in WO 97/24447, or the gene gun approach described by Mahvi et al., Immunology and cell Biology 75:456-460, 1997. Antigen loading of cendritic cells may be achieved by incubating dendritic cells or progenitor cells with the tunior polypeptide, DNA (naked or within a plasmid vector) or RNA; or with antigen-expressing recombinant bacterium or viruses (e.g., vaccinia, fowlpox, adenovirus or lentivirus vectors). Prior to loading, the polypeptide may be covalently conjugated to an immunological partner that provides T cell help (e.g., a carrier molecule). Alternatively, a dendritic cell may be pulsed with a non-conjugated immunological partner, separately or in the presence of the polypeptide.

While any suitable carrier known to those of ordinary skill in the art may be employed in the pharmaceutical compositions of this invention, the type of carrier will typically vary depending on the mode of administration. Compositions of the present invention may be formulated for any appropriate manner of administration, including for example, topical, oral, nasal, mucosal, intravenous, intracranial, intraperitoneal, subcutaneous and intramuscular administration.

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Carriers for use within such pharmaceutical compositions are biocompatible, and may also be biodegradable. In certain embodiments, the formulation preferably provides a relatively constant level of active component release. In other embodiments, however, a more rapid rate of release immediately upon administration may be desired. The formulation of such compositions is well within the level of ordinary skill in the art using known techniques. Illustrative carriers useful in this regard include microparticles of poly(lactide-co-glycolide), polyacrylate, latex, starch, cellulose, dextran and the like Other illustrative delayed-release carriers include supramolecular biovectors, which comprise a non-liquid hydrophilic core (e.g., a cross-linked polysaccharide or oligosaccharide) and, optionally, an external layer comprising an amphiphilic compound, such as a phospholipid (see e.g., U.S. Patent No. 5,151,254 and PCT applications WO 94/20078, WO/94/23701 and WO 96/06638). The amount of active compound contained within a sustained release formulation depends upon the site of implantation, the rate and expected duration of release and the nature of the condition to be treated or prevented.

In another illustrative embodiment, biodegradable microspheres (e.g., polylactate polyglycolate) are employed as carriers for the compositions of this invention. Suitable biodegradable microspheres are disclosed, for example, in U.S. Palent Nos. 4,897,268; 5,075,109; 5,928,647; 5,811,128; 5,820,883; 5,853,763; 5,814,344, 5,407,609 and 5,942,252. Modified hepatitis B core protein carrier systems, such as described in WO/99 40934, and references cited therein, will also be useful for many applications. Another illustrative carrier/delivery system employs a carrier comprising particulate-protein complexes, such as those described in U.S. Patent No. 5,928,647, which are capable of inducing a class I-restricted cytotoxic T lymphocyte responses in a host.

The pharmaceutical compositions of the invention will often further comprise one or more buffers (e.g., neutral buffered saline or phosphate buffered saline), carbohydrates (e.g., glucose, mannose, sucrose or dextrans), mannitol, proteins, polypeptides or amino acids such as glycine, antioxidants, bacteriostats, chelating agents such as EDTA or glutathione, adjuvants (e.g., aluminum hydroxide), so utes that render the formulation isotonic, hypotonic or weakly hypertonic with the blood of a recipient, suspending agents, thickening agents and/or preservatives. Alternatively, compositions of the present invention may be formulated as a lyophilizate.

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The pharmaceutical compositions described herein may be presented in unatdose or multi-dose containers, such as sealed ampoules or vials. Such containers are
typically sealed in such a way to preserve the sterility and stability of the formulation until
use. In general, formulations may be stored as suspensions, solutions or emulsions in oily
or aqueous vehicles. Alternatively, a pharmaceutical composition may be stored in a
freeze-dried condition requiring only the addition of a sterile liquid currier immediately
prior to use.

The development of suitable dosing and treatment regimens for using the particular compositions described herein in a variety of treatment regimens, including e.g. ora, parenteral, intravenous, intranasal, and intramuscular administration and formulation is well known in the art, some of which are briefly discussed below for general purposes of illustration.

In certain applications, the pharmaceutical compositions disclosed herein may be delivered via oral administration to an animal. As such, these compositions may be formulated with an inert diluent or with an assimilable edible carrier, or they may be eaclosed in hard- or soft-shell gelatin capsule, or they may be compressed into tablets, or they may be incorporated directly with the food of the diet.

The active compounds may even be incorporated with excipients and used in the form of ingestible tablets, buccal tables, troches, capsules, slixirs, suspensions, syrups, wafers, and the like (see, for example, Mathiewitz et al., Nature 1997 Mar 27;386(6623):410-4; Hwang et al., Crit Rev Ther Drug Carrier Syst 1958;15(3):243-84; 1. 10 S. Patent 5,641,515; U. S. Patent 5,580,579 and U. S. Patent 5,792,451). Tablets, troches, pills, capsules and the like may also contain any of a variety of additional components, for example, a binder, such as gum tragacanth, acacia, cornstarch, or gela in, excipients, such as dicalcium phosphate; a disintegrating agent, such as com starch, potato starch, alginic acid and the like; a lubricant, such as magnesium stearate; and a sweetening agent, such as sucrose, lactose or saccharin may be added or a flavoring agent, such as peppermint, oil of wintergreen, or cherry flavoring. When the dosage unit form is a capsule it may contain, in addition to materials of the above type, a liquid carrier. Various other materials may be present as coatings or to otherwise modify the physical form of the dosage unit. For instance, tablets, pills, or capsules may be coated with shellac, sugar, cr both. Of course, any material used in preparing any dosage unit form should be pharmaceutically pure and substantially non-toxic in the amounts employed. In addition, the active compounds may be incorporated into sustained-release preparation and formulations.

Typically, these formulations will contain at least about 0.1% of the active compound or more, although the percentage of the active ingredient(s) may, of course, be varied and may conveniently be between about 1 or 2% and about 60% or 70% or more of the weight or volume of the total formulation. Naturally, the unount of active compound(s) in each therapeutically useful composition may be prepared is such a way that a suitable dosage will be obtained in any given unit dose of the compound. Factors such as solubility, bioavailability, biological half-life, route of administration, product shelf life, as

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well as other pharmacological considerations will be contemplated by one skilled in the art of preparing such pharmaceutical formulations, and as such, a variety of dosages and treatment regimens may be desirable.

For oral administration the compositions of the present invention may alternatively be incorporated with one or more excipients in the form of a mouthwash, dentifrice, buccal tablet, oral spray, or sublingual orally-administered formulation. Alternatively, the active ingredient may be incorporated into an oral solution such as one containing sodium borate, glycerin and potassium bicarbonate, or dispersed in a dentifrice, or added in a therapeutically-effective amount to a composition that may include water, binders, abrasives, flavoring agents, foaming agents, and humectants. Alternatively the compositions may be fashioned into a tablet or solution form that may be placed under the tongue or otherwise dissolved in the mouth.

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In certain circumstances it will be desirable to deliver the pharmaceutical compositions disclosed herein parenterally, intravenously, intramuscularly, or even intraperitoneally. Such approaches are well known to the skilled artisan, some of which are further described, for example, in U. S. Patent 5,543,158, U. S. Patent 5,641,515 and U. S. Patent 5,399,363. In certain embodiments, solutions of the active compounds as free base or pharmacologically acceptable salts may be prepared in water suitably mixed with a surfactant, such as hydroxypropylcellulose. Dispersions may also be prepared in glycerol, liquid polyethylene glycols, and mixtures thereof and in oils. Under our nary conditions of storage and use, these preparations generally will contain a preservative to prevent the growth of microorganisms.

Illustrative pharmaceutical forms suitable for injectable use include sterile aqueous solutions or dispersions and sterile powders for the extemporaneous preparation of sterile injectable solutions or dispersions (for example, see U. S. Patent 5,466,468). In all cases the form must be sterile and must be fluid to the extent that easy syringability exists. It must be stable under the conditions of manufacture and storage and roust be preserved against the contaminating action of microorganisms, such as bacteria and rougi. The carrier can be a solvent or dispersion medium containing, for example, water, et anol, polyol (e.g.,

glycerol, propylene glycol, and liquid polyethylene glycol, and the like), suitable mixtures thereof, and/or vegetable oils. Proper fluidity may be maintained, for example, by the use of a coating, such as lecithin, by the maintenance of the required particle size in the case of dispersion and/or by the use of surfactants. The prevention of the action of microorganisms can be facilitated by various antibacterial and antifungal agents, for example, parabetes, chlorobutanol, phenol, sorbic acid, thimerosal, and the like. In many cases, it will be preferable to include isotonic agents, for example, sugars or sodium chloride. Prolonged absorption of the injectable compositions can be brought about by the use in the compositions of agents delaying absorption, for example, aluminum monostearate and gelatin.

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In one embodiment, for parenteral administration in an aqueous solution, the solution should be suitably buffered if necessary and the liquid diluent first rendered isotonic with sufficient saline or glucose. These particular aqueous solutions are especially suitable for intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous and intraperitoneal administration. In this connection, a sterile aqueous medium that can be employed will be known to those of skill in the art in light of the present disclosure. For example, one dosage may be dissolved in 1 ml of isotonic NaCl solution and either added to 1000 ml of hypodermoclysis fluid or injected at the proposed site of infusion, (see for example, "Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences" 15th Edition, pages 1035-1038 and 1570-1580). Some variation in dosage will necessarily occur depending on the condition of the subject being treated. Moreover, for human administration, preparations will of course preferably meet sterility, pyrogenicity, and the general safety and purity standards as required by FDA Orfice of Biologics standards.

In another embodiment of the invention, the compositions disclosed herein may be formulated in a neutral or salt form. Illustrative pharmaceutical y-acceptable salts include the acid addition salts (formed with the free amino groups of the protein) and which are formed with inorganic acids such as, for example, hydrochloric or phosphoric acids, or such organic acids as acetic, oxalic, tartaric, mandelic, and the like. Salts formed with the free carboxyl groups can also be derived from inorganic bases such as, for example,

sodium, potassium, ammonium, calcium, or ferric hydroxides, and such organic bases as isopropylamine, trimethylamine, histidine, procaine and the like. Upon formulation, solutions will be administered in a manner compatible with the dosage formulation and in such amount as is therapeutically effective.

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The carriers can further comprise any and all solvents, dispersion media, vehicles, coatings, diluents, antibacterial and antifungal agents, isotonic and absorption delaying agents, buffers, carrier solutions, suspensions, colloids, and the like. The use of such media and agents for pharmaceutical active substances is well known in the art. Except insofar as any conventional media or agent is incompatible with the active ingredient, its use in the therapeutic compositions is contemplated. Supplementary active ingredients can also be incorporated into the compositions. The phrase "pharmaceutically-acceptable" refers to molecular entities and compositions that do not produce an allergic or similar untoward reaction when administered to a human.

In certain embodiments, the pharmaceutical compositions may be delivered by intranasal sprays, inhalation, and/or other aerosol delivery vehicles. Methods for 15 delivering genes, nucleic acids, and peptide compositions directly to the lungs via naspl aetosol sprays has been described, e.g., in U. S. Patent 5,756,351 and U. S. Patent 5,804,212. Likewise, the delivery of drugs using intranasal microparticle resins (Takenaga et al., J Controlled Release 1998 Mar 2;52(1-2):81-7) and lysophosphatidyl-glycerol compounds (U. S. Patent 5,725,871) are also well-known in the pharmaceutical arts. Likewise, illustrative transmucosal drug delivery in the form of a polyretrafluoroetheylene support matrix is described in U. S. Patent 5,780,045.

In certain embodiments, liposomes, nanocapsules, microparticles, lipid particles, vesicles, and the like, are used for the introduction of the compositions of the present invention into suitable host cells/organisms. In particular, the compositions of the present invention may be formulated for delivery either encapsulated in a lipid particle, a lipdsome, a vesicle, a nanosphere, or a nanoparticle or the like. Alternatively, compositions of the present invention can be bound, either covalently or non-covalently, to the surface of such carrier vehicles.

The formation and use of liposome and liposome-like preparations as potential drug carriers is generally known to those of skill in the art (see for example, Lasic, Frends Biotechnol 1998 Jul;16(7):307-21; Takakura, Nippon Rinsho 1998 Mar;56(3):691-5; Chandran et al., Indian J Exp Biol. 1997 Aug;35(8):801-9; Margalit, Crit Rev Ther Drug Carrier Syst. 1995;12(2-3):233-61; U.S. Patent 5,567,434; U.S. Parent 5,552,157; U.S. Patent 5,565,213; U.S. Patent 5,738,868 and U.S. Patent 5,795,587, each specifically incorporated herein by reference in its entirety).

Liposomes have been used successfully with a number of cell types that are normally difficult to transfect by other procedures, including T cell suspensions, primary hepatocyte cultures and PC 12 cells (Renneisen et al., J Biol Chem. 1990 Sep 25;265(27):16337-42; Muller et al., DNA Cell Biol. 1990 Apr,9(3):2221-9). In addition, liposomes are free of the DNA length constraints that are typical of viral-based delivery systems. Liposomes have been used effectively to introduce genes, various drugs, radiotherapeutic agents, enzymes, viruses, transcription factors, allosteric effectors and the like, into a variety of cultured cell lines and animals. Furthermore, he use of liposomes does not appear to be associated with autoimmune responses or unacceptable toxicity after systemic delivery.

In certain embodiments, liposomes are formed from phospholipids that are dispersed in an aqueous medium and spontaneously form multilamellar concentric bilayer vesicles (also termed multilamellar vesicles (MLVs).

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Alternatively, in other embodiments, the invention provides for pharmaceutically-acceptable nanocapsule formulations of the compositions of the present invention. Nanocapsules can generally entrap compounds in a stable and reproducible way (see, for example, Quintanar-Guerrero et al., Drug Dev Ind Pharm. 1998 Dec;24(12):1113-28). To avoid side effects due to intracellular polymeric overloading, such ultrafine particles (sized around 0.1 µm) may be designed using polymers able to be degraded in vivo. Such particles can be made as described, for example, by Couvreur et al., Crit Rev Ther Drug Carrier Syst. 1988;5(1):1-20; zur Muhlen et al., Eur J Pharm Biopharm. 1998

Mar;45(2):149-55; Zambaux et al. J Controlled Release. 1998 Jan 2;50(1-3):31-40; and U. S. Patent 5,145,684.

Cancer Therapeutic Methods

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In further aspects of the present invention, the pharmaceutical compositions described herein may be used for the treatment of cancer, particularly for the immunotherapy of lung cancer. Within such methods, the pharmaceutical compositions described herein are administered to a patient, typically a warm-blooded animal, preferably a human. A patient may or may not be afflicted with cancer. Accordingly, the above pharmaceutical compositions may be used to prevent the development of a cancer or to treat a patient afflicted with a cancer. Pharmaceutical compositions and vaccines may be administered either prior to or following surgical removal of primary tumors and/or treatment such as administration of radiotherapy or conventional chem otherapeutic drugs. As discussed above, administration of the pharmaceutical compositions may be by any suitable method, including administration by intravenous, intraperitoneal, intramuscular, subcutaneous, intranasal, intradermal, anal, vaginal, topical and oral routes.

Within certain embodiments, immunotherapy may be active immunotherapy, in which treatment relies on the *in vivo* stimulation of the endogenous host immune system to react against turnors with the administration of immune response modifying agents (such as polypeptides and polynucleotides as provided herein).

Within other embodiments, immunotherapy may be passive immunotherapy, in which treatment involves the delivery of agents with established tumor-immune reactivity (such as effector cells or antibodies) that can directly or indirectly mediate antitumor effects and does not necessarily depend on an intact hos: immune system. Examples of effector cells include T cells as discussed above, T lymphocytes (such as CD8+ cytotoxic T lymphocytes and CD4+ T-helper tumor-infiltrating lymphocytes), killer cells (such as Natural Killer cells and lymphokine-activated killer cells), B cells and antigen-presenting cells (such as dendritic cells and macrophages) expressing a polypeptide provided herein. T cell receptors and antibody receptors specific for the polypeptides

for adoptive immunotherapy. The polypeptides provided herein may also be used to generate antibodies or anti-idiotypic antibodies (as described above and in U.S. Patent No. 4,918,164) for passive immunotherapy.

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Effector cells may generally be obtained in sufficient quantities for adoptive immunotherapy by growth in vitro, as described herein. Culture conditions for expanding single antigen-specific effector cells to several billion in number with retention of antigen recognition in vivo are well known in the art. Such in vitro culture conditions typically use intermittent stimulation with antigen, often in the presence of cytokines (such as IL-2) and non-dividing feeder cells. As noted above, immunoreactive polypeptides as provided herein may be used to rapidly expand antigen-specific T cell cultures in order to generate a sufficient number of cells for immunotherapy. In particular, antigen-presenting cells, such as dendritic, macrophage, monocyte, fibroblast and/or B cells, may be pulsed with immunoreactive polypeptides or transfected with one or more polynucleotides using standard techniques well known in the art. For example, antigen-presenting cells can be transfected with a polynucleotide having a promoter appropriate for increasing expression in a recombinant virus or other expression system. Cultured effector cells for use in therapy must be able to grow and distribute widely, and to survive long term in viva. Studies have shown that cultured effector cells can be induced to grow in vivo and to survive long term in substantial numbers by repeated stimulation with antigen supplemented with IL-2 (see, for example, Cheever et al., Immunological Reviews 157:177) 1997).

Alternatively, a vector expressing a polypeptide recited herein may be introduced into antigen presenting cells taken from a patient and clonally propagated exprise for transplant back into the same patient. Transfected cells may be reintroduced into the patient using any means known in the art, preferably in sterile form by intravenous, intracavitary, intraperitoneal or intratumor administration.

Routes and frequency of administration of the therapeutic compositions described herein, as well as dosage, will vary from individual to individual, and may be

leadily established using standard techniques. In general, the pharmaceutical compositions and vaccines may be administered by injection (e.g., intracutaneous, intramuscular, intravenous or subcutaneous), intranasally (e.g., by aspiration) or orally. Preferably, between 1 and 10 doses may be administered over a 52 week period. Preferably, 6 doses are administered, at intervals of 1 month, and booster vaccinations may be given periodically thereafter. Alternate protocols may be appropriate for individual patients. A suitable dose is an amount of a compound that, when administered as described above, is capable of promoting an anti-tumor immune response, and is at least 10-50% above the basal (i.e., untreated) level. Such response can be monitored by measuring the anti-turnor antibodies in a patient or by vaccine-dependent generation of cytolytic effector cells capable of killing the patient's tumor cells in vitro. Such vaccines should also be capable of causing an immune response that leads to an improved clinical outcome (e.g., more frequent remissions, complete or partial or longer disease-free survival) in vaccinated patients as compared to non-vaccinated patients. In general, for pharmaceutical dompositions and vaccines comprising one or more polypeptides, he amount of each polypeptide present in a dose ranges from about 25 µg to 5 mg per lig of host. Suitable dose sizes will vary with the size of the patient, but will typically range from about 0.1 mL to about 5 mL.

In general, an appropriate dosage and treatment regimen provides the active compound(s) in an amount sufficient to provide therapeutic and/or prophylactic benefit. Such a response can be monitored by establishing an improved clinical outcome (e.g., more frequent remissions, complete or partial, or longer disease-free survivel) in treated patients as compared to non-treated patients. Increases in preexisting immune responses to a tumor protein generally correlate with an improved clinical outcome. Such immune responses may generally be evaluated using standard proliferation, cytotoxicity or cytokine assays, which may be performed using samples obtained from a patient before and after treatment.

Cancer Detection and Diagnostic Compositions, Methods and Kits

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In general, a cancer may be detected in a patient based on the presence of one or more lung tumor proteins and/or polynucleotides emoding such proteins in a biological sample (for example, blood, sera, sputurn urine and/or turner biopsies) obtained from the patient. In other words, such proteins may be used as markers to indicate the presence or absence of a cancer such as lung cancer. In addition, such proteins may be useful for the detection of other cancers. The binding agents provided herein generally permit detection of the level of antigen that binds to the agent in the biological sample. Polynucleotide primers and probes may be used to detect the level of mRNA encoding a numor protein, which is also indicative of the presence or absence of a cancer. In general, a lung tumor sequence should be present at a level that is at least three fold higher in tumor tissue than in normal tissue

There are a variety of assay formats known to those of ordinary skill in the art for using a binding agent to detect polypeptide markers in a sample. See, e.g., Harlow and Lane, Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, 1988. In general, the presence or absence of a cancer in a patient may be determined by (a) contacting a biological sample obtained from a patient with a binding agent; (b) detecting in the sample a level of polypeptide that binds to the binding agent; and (c) comparing the level of polypeptide with a predetermined cut-off value.

In a preferred embodiment, the assay involves the use of binding agent immobilized on a solid support to bind to and remove the polypeptide from the remainder of the sample. The bound polypeptide may then be detected using a detection reagent that contains a reporter group and specifically binds to the binding agent/polypeptide complex. Such detection reagents may comprise, for example, a binding agent that specifically binds to the polypeptide or an antibody or other agent that specifically binds to the binding agent, such as an anti-immunoglobulin, protein G, protein A or a lectin. Alternatively, a competitive assay may be utilized, in which a polypeptide is labeled with a reporter group and allowed to bind to the immobilized binding agent after incubation of the binding agent with the sample. The extent to which components of the sample inhibit the binding of the

labeled polypeptide to the binding agent is indicative of the reactivity of the sample with the immobilized binding agent. Suitable polypeptides for use within such assays include full length lung tumor proteins and polypeptide portions thereof to which the binding agent binds, as described above.

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The solid support may be any material known to those of ordinary skill in the art to which the tumor protein may be attached. For example, the solid support may be test well in a microtiter plate or a nitrocellulose or other suitable membrane. Alternatively, the support may be a bead or disc, such as glass, fiberglass, latex or a plastic material such as polystyrene or polyvinylchloride. The support may also be a magnetic particle or a fiber optic sensor, such as those disclosed, for example, in U.S. Patent No. 5,359,681. The binding agent may be immobilized on the solid support using a variety of techniques known to those of skill in the art, which are amply described in the patent and scientific literature. In the context of the present invention, the term "immobilization" refers to both noncovalent association, such as adsorption, and covaler t attachment (which may be a direct linkage between the agent and functional groups on the support or may be a linkage by way of a cross-linking agent). Immobilization by adsorption to a well in a microtiter plate or to a membrane is preferred. In such cases, adsorption may be achieved by contacting the binding agent, in a suitable buffer, with the solid support for a suitable amount of time. The contact time varies with temperature, but is typically between about I hour and about 1 day. In general, contacting a well of a plastic microtiter plate (such as polystyrene or polyvinylchloride) with an amount of binding agent ranging from about 10 ng to about 10 μg, and preferably about 100 ng to about 1 μg, is sufficient to immobilize an adequate amount of binding agent.

Covalent attachment of binding agent to a solid support may generally be achieved by first reacting the support with a bifunctional reagent that will react with both the support and a functional group, such as a hydroxyl or amino group, on the binding agent. For example, the binding agent may be covalently attached to supports having an appropriate polymer coating using benzoquinone or by condensation of an aldehyde group

on the support with an amine and an active hydrogen on the binding partner (see, e.g., Pierce Immunotechnology Catalog and Handbook, 1991, at A12-A13.

In certain embodiments, the assay is a two-antibody randwich assay. This assay may be performed by first contacting an antibody that has been immobilized on a solid support, commonly the well of a microtiter plate, with the sample, such that polypeptides within the sample are allowed to bind to the immobilized antibody. Unbound sample is then removed from the immobilized polypeptide-antibody complexes and a detection reagent (preferably a second antibody capable of binding to a different site on the polypeptide) containing a reporter group is added. The amount of detection reagent that remains bound to the solid support is then determined using a method appropriate for the specific reporter group.

More specifically, once the antibody is immobilized on the support as described above, the remaining protein binding sites on the support as typically blocked. Any suitable blocking agent known to those of ordinary skill in the art, such as boving serum albumin or Tween 20TM (Sigma Chemical Co., St. Louis, MO). The immobilized antibody is then incubated with the sample, and polypeptide is allowed to bind to the antibody. The sample may be diluted with a suitable diluent, such as phosphate-buffered saline (PBS) prior to incubation. In general, an appropriate contact time (i.e., incubation time) is a period of time that is sufficient to detect the presence of polypeptide within a sample obtained from an individual with lung cancer. Preferably, the contact time is sufficient to achieve a level of binding that is at least about 95% of that achieved at equilibrium between bound and unbound polypeptide. Those of ordinary skill in the arr will recognize that the time necessary to achieve equilibrium may be readily determined by assaying the level of binding that occurs over a period of time. At room temperature, an incubation time of about 30 minutes is generally sufficient.

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Unbound sample may then be removed by washing the solid support with an appropriate buffer, such as PBS containing 0.1% Tween 20TM. The second antibody, which contains a reporter group, may then be added to the solid support. Freferred reporter groups include those groups recited above.

The detection reagent is then incubated with the immobilized antibodypolypeptide complex for an amount of time sufficient to detect the bound polypeptide. An
appropriate amount of time may generally be determined by assaying the level of binding
that occurs over a period of time. Unbound detection reagent is then removed and bound

5 detection reagent is detected using the reporter group. The method employed for detecting
the reporter group depends upon the nature of the reporter group. For radioactive groups,
scintillation counting or autoradiographic methods are generally appropriate. Spectroscopic
methods may be used to detect dyes, luminescent groups and fluorescent groups. Biotin
may be detected using avidin, coupled to a different reporter group (commonly a

10 radioactive or fluorescent group or an enzyme). Enzyme: porter groups may generally be
detected by the addition of substrate (generally for a specific period of time), followed by
spectroscopic or other analysis of the reaction products.

To determine the presence or absence of a cancer, such as lung cancer, the signal detected from the reporter group that remains bound to the solid support is generally 15 compared to a signal that corresponds to a predetermined cut-off value. In one preferred embodiment, the cut-off value for the detection of a cancer is the average mean signal obtained when the immobilized antibody is incubated with samples from patients without the cancer. In general, a sample generating a signal that is three standard deviations above the predetermined cut-off value is considered positive for the cancer. In an alternate preferred embodiment, the cut-off value is determined using a Receiver Operator Curve, according to the method of Sackett et al., Clinical Epidemiology: A Basic Science for Clinical Medicine, Little Brown and Co., 1985, p. 106-7. Briefly, in this embodiment, the cuit-off value may be determined from a plot of pairs of true positive rates (i.e., sensitivity) and false positive rates (100%-specificity) that correspond to each possible cut-off value for the diagnostic test result. The cut-off value on the plot that is the closest to the upper lefthand corner (i.e., the value that encloses the largest area) is the most accurate cut-off value, and a sample generating a signal that is higher than the cut-off value determined by this method may be considered positive. Alternatively, the cut-off value may be shifted to the left along the plot, to minimize the false positive rate, or to the right, to minimize the false

negative rate. In general, a sample generating a signal that is higher than the cut-off value determined by this method is considered positive for a cancer.

In a related embodiment, the assay is performed in a flow-through or strip test format, wherein the binding agent is immobilized on a rembrane, such as nifrocellulose. In the flow-through test, polypeptides within the sample bind to the inmobilized binding agent as the sample passes through the membrane A second, labeled binding agent then binds to the binding agent-polypeptide complex as a solution containing the second binding agent flows through the membrane. The detection of bound second binding agent may then be performed as described above. In the strip test format, one end 10 of the membrane to which binding agent is bound is immersed in a solution containing the sample. The sample migrates along the membrane through a region containing second binding agent and to the area of immobilized binding agent. Concentration of second binding agent at the area of immobilized antibody indicates the presence of a cancer. Typically, the concentration of second binding agent at that site generates a pattern, such as 15 a fine, that can be read visually. The absence of such a pattern indicates a negative result. In general, the amount of binding agent immobilized on the membrane is selected to generate a visually discernible pattern when the biological sample contains a level of polypeptide that would be sufficient to generate a positive signal in the two-antibody sandwich assay, in the format discussed above. Preferred binding agents for use in such assays are antibodies and antigen-binding fragments thereof. Preferably, the amount of antibody immobilized on the membrane ranges from about 25 ng to about 1µg, and more preferably from about 50 ng to about 500 ng. Such tests can typically be performed with a very small amount of biological sample.

Of course, numerous other assay protocols exist that we suitable for use with the tumor proteins or binding agents of the present invention. The above descriptions are intended to be exemplary only. For example, it will be apparent to those of ordinary skill in the art that the above protocols may be readily modified to use tumor polypeptides to detect antibodies that bind to such polypeptides in a biological sample. The detection of such tumor protein specific antibodies may correlate with the presence of a cancer.

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A cancer may also, or alternatively, be detected based on the presence of T cells that specifically react with a tumor protein in a biological sample. Within certain methods, a biological sample comprising CD4 and/or CD8 T cells isolated from a patient is incubated with a tumor polypeptide, a polynucleotide encoding such a polypeptide and/or an APC that expresses at least an immunogenic portion of such a rolypeptide, and the presence or absence of specific activation of the T cells is detected. Suitable biological samples include, but are not limited to, isolated T cells. For example, T cells may be isolated from a patient by routine techniques (such as by Ficoll/Hypaque density gradient centrifugation of peripheral blood lymphocytes). T cells may be incupated in vitro for 2-9 10 days (typically 4 days) at 37°C with polypeptide (e.g., 5 - 25 μg/ml). It may be desirable to incubate another aliquot of a T cell sample in the absence of tumor polypeptide to serve as a control. For CD4⁺ T cells, activation is preferably detected by evaluating proliferation of the T cells. For CD8+ T cells, activation is preferably detected by evaluating cytolytic adtivity. A level of proliferation that is at least two fold greater and/cr a level of cytolylic adtivity that is at least 20% greater than in disease-free patients indicates the presence of a cancer in the patient.

As noted above, a cancer may also, or alternatively, be detected based on the level of mRNA encoding a tumor protein in a biological sample. For example, at least two oligonucleotide primers may be employed in a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) based assay to amplify a portion of a tumor cDNA derived from a biological sample, wherein at least one of the oligonucleotide primers is specific for (i.e., hybridizes to) a polynucleotide encoding the tumor protein. The amplified cDNA is then separated and detected using techniques well known in the art, such as gel electrophoresis. Similarly, oligonucleotide probes that specifically hybridize to a polynucleotide encoding a tumor protein may be used 25 in a hybridization assay to detect the presence of polynucleotide encoding the tumor protein in a biological sample.

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To permit hybridization under assay conditions, oligonus eotide primers and probes should comprise an oligonucleotide sequence that has at least about 60%, preferably at least about 75% and more preferably at least about 90%, identity to a portion of a

polynucleotide encoding a tumor protein of the invention that is at least 10 nucleotides, and preferably at least 20 nucleotides, in length. Preferably, oligonucleotide primers and/or probes hybridize to a polynucleotide encoding a polypeptide described herein under moderately stringent conditions, as defined above. Oligonucleotide primers and/or probes which may be usefully employed in the diagnostic methods described herein preferably are at least 10-40 nucleotides in length. In a preferred embodiment, the oligonucleotide primers comprise at least 10 contiguous nucleotides, more preferably at least 15 contiguous nucleotides, of a DNA molecule having a sequence as disclosed herein. Techniques for both PCR based assays and hybridization assays are well known in the art (see, for example, Mullis et al., Cold Spring Harbor Symp. Quant. Biol., 51:263, 1987; Erlich ed., PCR Technology, Stockton Press, NY, 1989).

One preferred assay employs RT-PCR, in which FCR is applied in conjunction with reverse transcription. Typically, RNA is extracted from a biological sample, such as biopsy tissue, and is reverse transcribed to produce cDNA molecules. PCR amplification using at least one specific primer generates a cDNA molecule, which may be separated and visualized using, for example, gel electrophoresis. Amplification may be performed on biological samples taken from a test patient and from an individual who is not afflicted with a cancer. The amplification reaction may be performed on several dilutions of cDNA spanning two orders of magnitude. A two-fold or greater increase in expression in several dilutions of the test patient sample as compared to the same dilutions of the non-cancerous sample is typically considered positive.

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In another embodiment, the compositions described herein may be used as markers for the progression of cancer. In this embodiment, assays as described above for the diagnosis of a cancer may be performed over time, and the change in the level of reactive polypeptide(s) or polynucleotide(s) evaluated. For example, the assays may be performed every 24-72 hours for a period of 6 months to 1 year, and thereafter performed as needed. In general, a cancer is progressing in those patients in whom the level of polypeptide or polynucleotide detected increases over time. In contrast, the cancer is not

progressing when the level of reactive polypeptide or polynucleotide either remains constant or decreases with time.

Certain in vivo diagnostic assays may be performed directly on a tumor. One such assay involves contacting tumor cells with a binding agent. The bound binding agent may then be detected directly or indirectly via a reporter group. Such binding agents may also be used in histological applications. Alternatively, polynucleotide probes may be used within such applications.

As noted above, to improve sensitivity, multiple tumor protein markers may be assayed within a given sample. It will be apparent that binding agents specific for different proteins provided herein may be combined within a single assay. Further, multiple primers or probes may be used concurrently. The selection of tumor protein markers may be based on routine experiments to determine combinations that results in optimal sensitivity. In addition, or alternatively, assays for tumor proteins provided herein may be combined with assays for other known tumor antigens.

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The present invention further provides kits for use within any of the above diagnostic methods. Such kits typically comprise two or more components necessary for performing a diagnostic assay. Components may be compounds, magents, containers and/or equipment. For example, one container within a kit may certain a monoclonal antibody or fragment thereof that specifically binds to a tumor protein. Such antibodies or fragments may be provided attached to a support material, as described above. One or more additional containers may enclose elements, such as reagents or buffers, to be used in the assay. Such kits may also, or alternatively, contain a detection reagent as described above that contains a reporter group suitable for direct or indirect detection of antibody binding.

Alternatively, a kit may be designed to detect the level of mRNA encoding a tumor protein in a biological sample. Such kits generally comprise at least one oligonucleotide probe or primer, as described above, that hybridizes to a polynucleotide encoding a tumor protein. Such an oligonucleotide may be used, for example, within a PCR or hybridization assay. Additional components that may be present within such kits

include a second oligonucleotide and/or a diagnostic reagent or container to facilitate the detection of a polynucleotide encoding a tumor protein.

The following Examples are offered by way of illustration and not by way of limitation.

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EXAMPLE 1

IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF LUNG TUMOR cDNAS

This Example illustrates the identification of cDNA molecules encoding lung tumor proteins.

A. Isolation of cDNA Sequences from Lung Adenocarcinous a Libraries using Conventional cDNA Library Subtraction

A human lung adenocarcinoma cDNA expression library was constructed from poly A+ RNA from patient tissues (# 40031486) using a Superscript Plasmid System for cDNA Synthesis and Plasmid Cloning kit (BRL Life Technologies, Gaithersburg, MD) following the manufacturer's protocol. Specifically, lung carcinoma tissues were homogenized with polytron (Kinematica, Switzerland) and total RNA was extracted using Trizol reagent (BRL Life Technologies) as directed by the manufacturer. The poly A RNA was then purified using an oligo dT cellulose column as described in Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 1989. First-strand cDNA was synthesized using the Noth Oligo-dT18 primer. Double-stranded cDNA was synthesized, ligated with BstXI/EcoRI adaptors (Invitrogen, San Diego, CA) and digested with Notl. Following size fractionation with cDNA size fractionation columns (BRL Life Technologies), the cDNA was ligated into the BstXI/NotI site of pcDNA3.1 (Invitrogen) and transformed into ElectroMax E. coli DH10B cells (BRL Life Technologies) by electroporation. A total of 3 x 106 independent colonies were generated.

Using the same procedure, a normal human cDNA expression library was prepared from a panel of normal tissue specimens, including lung, liver, pancreas, skin, kidney, brain and resting PBMC.

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cDNA library subtraction was performed using the above lung adenocarcinoma and normal tissue cDNA libraries, as described by Hara et al. (Blood, 82:189-199, 1994) with some modifications. Specifically, a lung adenocarcinoma-specific subtracted cDNA library was generated as follows. The normal tissue cDNA library (80 µg) was digested with BarnHI and XhoI, followed by a filling-in reaction with DNA polymerase Klenow fragment. After phenol-chloroform extraction and ethanol precipitation, the DNA was dissolved in 133 µl of H₂O, heat-denatured and mixed with 133 µl (133 µg) of Photoprobe biotin (Vector Laboratories, Burlingame, CA). As recommended by the manufacturer, the resulting mixture was irradiated with a 270 W sunlamp on ice for 20 minutes. Additional Photoprobe biotin (67 µl) was added and the biotinylation reaction was repeated. After extraction with butanol five times, the DNA was ethanol-precipitated and dissolved in 23 µl H₂O. The resulting DNA, plus other highly redundant cDNA clones that were frequently recovered in previous lung subtractions formed the driver DNA.

To form the tracer DNA, 10 μg lung adenocarcinoma cDNA library was digested with NotI and SpeI, phenol chloroform extracted and passed through Chroma spin-400 columns (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA). Typically, 5 μg of cDNA was recovered after the sizing column. Following ethanol precipitation, the tracer DNA was dissolved in 5 μl H₂O. Tracer DNA was mixed with 15 μl driver DNA and 20 μl of 2 x hybridization buffer (1.5 M NaCl/10 mM EDTA/50 mM HEPES pH 7.5/0.2% sodium dodect sulfate), overlaid with mineral oil, and heat-denatured completely. The sample was immediately transferred into a 68 °C water bath and incubated for 20 hours (long hybridization [LH]). The reaction mixture was then subjected to a streptavidin treatment followed by phenol/chloroform extraction. This process was repeated three more times. Subtracted DNA was precipitated, dissolved in 12 μl H₂O, mixed with 8 μl driver DNA and 20 μl of 2 x hybridization buffer, and subjected to a hybridization at 68°C for 2 hours (short hybridization [SH]). After

removal of biotinylated double-stranded DNA, subtracted cDNA was ligated into Notl/Spel size of chloramphenical resistant pBCSK⁺ (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) and transformed into ElectroMax E. coli DH10B cells by electroporation to generate a lung adenocarcinoma specific subtracted cDNA library, referred to as LAT-S1 Similarly, LAT-S2 was generated by including 23 genes that were over-expressed in the tracer as additional drivers.

A second human lung adenocarcinoma cDNA expression library was constructed using adenocarcinoma tissue from a second patient (# 16-66) and used to prepare a second lung adenocarcinoma-specific subtracted cDNA library (referred to as LAT2-S2), as described above, using the same panel of normal tissues and the additional genes over-expressed in LAT-S1.

A third human metastatic lung adenocarcinoma library was constructed from a pool of two lung pleural effusions with lung and gastric adenocarcinoma origins. The subtracted cDNA library, referred to as Mets-sub2, was generated as described above using the same panel of normal tissues. The Mets-sub3 subtracted library was constructed by including 51 additional genes as drivers. These 51 genes were recovered in Mets-sub2, representing over-expressed housekeeping genes in the testers.

A total of 16 cDNA fragments isolated from LAT-S1, 585 cDNA fragments isolated from LAT-S2, 568 cDNA clones from LAT2-S2, 15 cDNA clones from Mets-sub2 and 343 cDNA clones from Mets-sub3, described above, were colony PCR amplified and their mRNA expression levels in lung tumor, normal lung, and various other normal and tumor tissues were determined using microarray technology (Incyte Palo Alto, CA). Briefly, the PCR amplification products were dotted onto slides in an array format, with each product occupying a unique location in the array. mRNA was extracted from the tissue sample to be tested, reverse transcribed, and fluorescent-labeled cDNA probes were generated. The microarrays were probed with the labeled cDNA probes, the slides scanned and fluorescence intensity was measured. This intensity correlates with the hybridization intensity. Seventy-three non-redundant cDNA clones, of which 42 were found to be unique, showed over-expression in lung tumors, with expression in normal tissues tested (lung, skin, lymph node, colon, liver, pancreas, breast, heart, bone manow, large intestine,

kidney, stomach, brain, small intestine, bladder and salivary gland) being either undetectable, or at significantly lower levels compared to lung adeoocarcinoma tumors. These clones were further characterized by DNA sequencing with a Perkin Elmer/Applied Biosystems Division Automated Sequencer Model 373A and/or Model 377 (Foster City, CA).

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The sequences were compared to known sequences in the gene bank using the EMBL GenBank databases (release 96). No significant homologies were found to the sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 67, with no apparent homology to previously identified expressed sequence tags (ESTs). The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 60, 62, 65, 66, 69-71, 74, 76, 79, 80, 84, 86, 89-92, 95, 97 and 98 were found to show some homology to previously identified expressed sequence tags (ESTs). The cDNA sequences of SEQ ID NO: 59, 61, 63, 64, 67, 68, 72, 73, 75, 77, 78, 81-83, 85, 87, 88, 93, 94, 96, 59 and 100 showed homology to previously identified genes. The full-length cDNA sequences for the clones of SEQ ID NO: 96 and 100 are provided in SEQ ID NO: 316 and 318, respectively. The amino acid sequences for the clones of SEQ ID NO: 59, 61, 63, 64, 68, 73, 82, 83, 94, 96 and 100 are provided in SEQ ID NO: 331, 328, 329, 332, 327, 333, 330, 326, 325, 324 and 335, respectively. The amino acid sequence encoded by the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 69 (referred to as L552S) is provided in SEQ ID NO: 786.

Further studies led to the isolation of an extended cDNA sequence, and open reading frame, for L552S (SEQ ID NO: 790). The amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 790 is provided in SEQ ID NO: 791. The determined cDNA sequence of an isoform of L552S is provided in SEQ ID NO: 792, with the corresponding amino acid sequence being provided in SEQ ID NO: 793. Subsequent studies led to the isolation of the full-length cDNA sequence of L552S (SEQ ID NO: 808). The corresponding amino acid sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO: 809. No homologies were found to the protein sequence of L552S. However, nucleotides 533-769 of the full-length cDNA sequence were found to show homology to a previously identified DNA sequence.

Comparison of the full-length cDNA and amino acid sequences for L552S with those in Genbank revealed that the amino acid sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 809 is partially identical to that of the XAGE-1 protein (Pastan et al. Cancer Research 60:4752-4755 (2000)). However the N-terminal portion of L552S (amino acids 1-64 of SEQ ID NO: 809) does not match that of the XAGE-1 protein and appears to be unique. The amino acid sequence of this N-terminal portion is provided in SEQ ID NO: 1830, with the corresponding cDNA sequence being provided in SEQ ID NO: 1826. The cDNA sequences provided in SEQ ID NO: 1827-1829 represent bp 394-681 of SEQ ID NO: 808, bp 394-534 of SEQ ID NO: 808 and bp 214-394 of SEQ ID NO: 792, respectively, with the corresponding amino acid sequences being provided in SEQ ID NO: 1831-1833.

Full-length cloning efforts on L552S led to the isolation of three additional cDNA sequences (SEQ ID NO: 810-812; referred to as clones 50989, 50990 and 50992, respectively) from a metastatic lung adenocarcinoma library. The sequence of SEQ ID NO: 810 was found to show some homology to previously identified human DNA sequences. The sequence of SEQ ID NO: 811 was found to show some homology to a previously identified DNA sequence. The sequence of SEQ ID NO: 812 was found to show some homology to previously identified ESTs.

The gene of SEQ ID NO: 84 (referred to as L551S) was determined by real-time RT-PCR analysis to be over-expressed in 2/9 primary adenocate inomas and to be expressed at lower levels in 2/2 metastatic adenocate inomas and 1/2 squamous cell carcinomas. No expression was observed in normal tissues, with the exception of very low expression in normal stomach. Further studies on L551S led to the isolation of the 5' and 3' cDNA consensus sequences provided in SEQ ID NO: 801 and 802 respectively. The L551S 5' sequence was found to show some homology to the previously identified gene STY8 (cDNA sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 803; corresponding a mino acid sequence provided in SEQ ID NO: 805), which is a mitogen activated protein binase phosphatase. However, no significant homologies were found to the 3' sequence of L551S. Subsequently, an extended cDNA sequence for L551S was isolated (GEQ ID NO: 804). The corresponding amino acid sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO: 805. Further studies

led to the isolation of two independent full-length clones for LSSIS (referred to as 54298 and 54305). These two clones have five nucleotide differences compared to the STY8 DNA sequence. Two of these differences are single nucleotide polymorphisms which do not effect the encoded amino acid sequences. The other three nucleotide differences are donsistent between the two L551S clones but lead to encoded amino acid sequences that are different from the STY8 protein sequence. The determined cDNA sequences for the L551S full-length clones 54305 and 54298 are provided in SEQ ID NO: 825 and 826, respectively, with the amino acid sequence for L551S being provided in SEQ ID N(): 827.

Isolation of cDNA Sequences from Lung Adenocarcing na Libraries using PCR-Based cDNA Library Subtraction

cDNA clones from a subtracted library, containing cDNA from a pool of two human lung primary adenocarcinomas subtracted against a pool of nine normal human tissue cDNAs including skin, colon, lung, esophagus, brain, kidney, spleen, pancreas and liver, (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA) were submitted to a first round of PCR amplification. This library (referred to as ALT-1) was subjected to a second round of PCR amplification, following the manufacturer's protocol. The expression levels of 760 cONA clones in lung tumor, normal lung, and various other normal and tumor tissues, were examined using microarray technology as described above. A total of 118 clones, of which 55 were unique, were found to be over-expressed in lung tumor tissue, with expression in normal tissues tested (lung, skin, lymph node, colon, liver, pancreas, breast, heart, sone marrow, large intestine, kidney, stomach, brain, small intestine, bladder and salivar, gland) being either undetectable, or at significantly lower levels. The sequences were compared to known sequences in the gene bank using the EMBL and GenBank databases (release 96). No significant homologies (including ESTs) were found to the sequence provided in SEQ ID 25 NO: 44. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 1, 11, 13, 15, 20, 23-27, 29, 30, 33, 34, 39, 41, 43, 45, 46, 51 and 57 were found to show some homology to previously identified expressed sequence tags (ESTs). The cDNA sequences of SEQ ID NO: 2-10, 12 14, 16-19, 21, 22, 28, 31, 32, 35-38, 40, 42, 44, 47-50, 52-56 and 58 showed homology to previously

identified genes. The full-length cDNA sequences for the clones of SEQ ID NO: 18, 22, 31, 35, 36 and 42 are provided in SEQ ID NO: 320, 319, 323, 321, 317, 321 and 322, respectively, with the corresponding amino acid sequences being provided in SEQ ID NO: 37, 336, 340, 338, 334, and 339, respectively.

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Further studies led to the isolation of an extended cDNA sequence for the clone of SEQ ID NO: 33 (referred to as L801P). This extended cDNA sequence (provided in SEQ ID NO: 796), was found to contain three potential open reading frames (ORFs). The predicted amino acid sequences encoded by these three ORFs are provided in SEQ ID NO: 797-799, respectively. Additional full-length cloning efforts led to still further extended cDNA sequence for L801P, set forth in SEQ ID NO:1669, in addition to five potential open reading frames (referred to as ORFs 4-9; SEQ II) NOs: 1670-1675, respectively) encoded by the extended cDNA sequence. L801P was mapped to chromosomal region 20p13 and a 137 amino acid ORF from this genomic region was identified that corresponds to ORF4 (SEQ ID NO: 1670), suggesting that this is likely an authentic ORF for L801P.

By microarray analysis, L801P was found to be overexpressed by 2-fold or greater in lung tumor tissue compared to normal tissue. By real-time PCR analysis, greater than 50% of lung adenocarcinoma and greater than 30% of lung squarrous cell carcinoma tumor samples tested had elevated L801P expression relative to normal lung tissue. Of those that displayed elevated L801P, the level of expression was greater than 10-fold higher than in normal lung tissue samples. Moreover, low or no expression of L801P was detected in an extensive panel of normal tissue RNAs.

L801P expression was also detected in a number of other tumor types, including breast, prostate, ovarian and colon tumors, and thus may have diagnostic and/or the apeutic utility in these cancer types.

In subsequent studies, a full-length cDNA sequence for the clone of SEQ ID NO: 44 (referred to as L844P) was isolated (provided in SEQ ID NO: 8(4)). Comparison of this sequence with those in the public databases revealed that the 470 bases at the 5' end of the sequence show homology to the known gene dihydrodiol delaydrogenase, thus

indicating that L844P is a novel transcript of the dihydrodiol dehydrogenase family having 2007 base pairs of previously unidentified 3' untranslated region.

The predicted amino acid sequence encoded by the sequence of SEQ ID NO: 46 (referred to as L840P) is provided in SEQ ID NO: 787. An extended cDNA sequence for L840P, which was determined to include an open reading frame, is provided in SEQ ID NO: 794. The predicted amino acid sequence encoded by the cDNA sequence of SEQ ID NO: 794 is provided in SEQ ID NO: 795. The full-length cDNA sequence for the clone of SEQ ID NO: 54 (referred to as L548S) is provided in SEQ ID NO: 788, with the corresponding amino acid sequence being provided in SEQ ID NO: 789.

Northern blot analyses of the genes of SEQ ID NO: 25 and 46 (referred to as L839P and L840P, respectively) were remarkably similar. Both genes were expressed in 1/2 lung adenocarcinomas as two bands of 3.6 kb and 1.6 kb. No expression of L839P was observed in normal lung or trachea. No expression of L840P was observed in normal bone marrow, resting or activated PBMC, esophagus, or normal lung. Given the similar expression patterns, L839P and L840P may be derived from the same gane.

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Additional lung adenocarcinoma cDNA clones were isclated as follows. A cDNA library was prepared from a pool of two lung adenocarcinomas and subtracted against cDNA from a panel of normal tissues including lung, brain, liver, kidney, pancreas, skin, heart and spleen. The subtraction was performed using a FCR-based protocol (Contech), which was modified to generate larger fragments. Within this protocol, tester and driver double stranded cDNA were separately digested with five restriction enzymes that recognize six-nucleotide restriction sites (Mlul, MscI, PvuII, Sall and StuI). This digestion resulted in an average cDNA size of 600 bp, rather than the average size of 300 bp that results from digestion with Rsal according to the Clontech protocol. The ends of the restriction digested tester cDNA were filled in to generate blum ends for adapter ligation. This modification did not affect the subtraction efficiency. Two tester populations were then created with different adapters, and the driver library remained without adapters. The tester and driver libraries were then hybridized using excess driver cDNA. In the first hybridization step, driver was separately hybridized with each of the

two tester cDNA populations. This resulted in populations of (a) unhybridized tester cDNAs, (b) tester cDNAs hybridized to other tester cDNAs, (c) tester cDNAs hybridized to driver cDNAs and (d) unhybridized driver cDNAs. The two separate hybridization reactions were then combined, and rehybridized in the presence of additional denatured driver cDNA. Following this second hybridization, in addition to populations (a) through (d), a fifth population (e) was generated in which tester cDNA with one adapter hybridized to tester cDNA with the second adapter. Accordingly, the second hybridization step resulted in enrichment of differentially expressed sequences which could be used as templates for PCR amplification with adaptor-specific primers.

The ends were then filled in, and PCR amplification was performed using adaptor-specific primers. Only population (e), which contained tester cDNA that did not hybridize to driver cDNA, was amplified exponentially. A second PCE amplification step was then performed, to reduce background and further enrich differentially expressed sequences.

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Fifty-seven cDNA clones were isolated from the subtracted library (referred to as LAP1) and sequenced. The determined cDNA sequences for 16 of these clones are provided in SEQ ID NO: 101-116. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 101 and 114 showed no significant homologies to previously identified sequences. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 102-109 and 112 showed some similarity to previously identified sequences, while the sequences of SEQ ID NO: 113, 115 and 116 showed some similarity to previously isolated ESTs.

An additional 502 clones analyzed from the LAP1 library were sequenced and the determined cDNA sequences are shown in SEQ ID NO:828-1235 and 1564-1653.

C. Isolation of cDNA Sequences from Small Cell Lung Carcinoma Libraries using PCR-Based cDNA Library Subtraction

A subtracted cDNA library for small cell lung carcinoma (referred to as SCLI) was prepared essentially using the modified PCR-based subtraction process described above. cDNA from small cell lung carcinoma was subtracted against cDNA

from a panel of normal tissues, including normal lung, brain, kidney, liver, pancreas, skin, heart, lymph node and spleen. Both tester and driver poly A+ RNA were initially amplified using SMART PCR cDNA synthesis kit (Clontech, Palo Alto, CA). The tester and driver double stranded cDNA were separately digested with five restriction enzymes (Dral, Mscl, Pvull, Smal, and Stul). These restriction enzymes generated blunt end cuts and the digestion resulted in an average insert size of 600 bp. Digestion with this set of restriction enzymes eliminates the step required to generate blunt ends by filling in of the cDNA ends. These modifications did not affect subtraction efficiency.

Eighty-five clones were isolated and sequenced. The determined cDNA sequences for 31 of these clones are provided in SEQ ID NO: 117-147. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 122, 124, 126, 127, 130, 131, 133, 136, 139 and 147 showed no significant homologies to previously identified sequences. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 120, 129, 135, 137, 140, 142, 144 and 145 showed some similarity to previously identified gene sequences, while the sequences of SEQ ID NO: 114, 118, 119, 121, 123, 125, 128, 132, 134, 138, 141, 143 and 147 showed some similarity to previously isolated ESTs.

In further studies, three additional cDNA libraries were generated from poly A+ RNA from a single small cell lung carcinoma sample subtracted against a pool of poly A+ RNA from nine normal tissues (lung, brain, kidney, liver, pancreas, skin, heart pituitary gland and spleen). For the first library (referred to as SCL2), the subtraction was carried out essentially as described above for the LAP1 library, with the exception that the tester and driver were digested with Pvull, Stul, MscI and Dral. The ratio of tester and driver cDNA used was as recommended by Clontech. For the second library (referred to as SCL3), subtraction was performed essentially as for SCL2 except that cDNA for highly redundant clones identified from the SCL2 library was included in the driver cDNA. Construction of the SCL4 library was performed essentially as described for the SCL3 library except that a higher ratio of driver to tester was employed.

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Each library was characterized by DNA sequencing and database analyses. The determined cDNA sequence for 35 clones isolated from the SCL2 library are provided in SEQ ID NO: 245-279, with the determined cDNA sequences for 21 clones isolated from

the SCL3 library and for 15 clones isolated from the SCL4 library being provided in SEQ IID NO: 280-300 and 301-315, respectively. The sequences of SEQ IID NO: 246, 254, 261, 262, 304, 309 and 311 showed no significant homologies to previously identified sequences. The sequence of SEQ ID NO: 245, 248, 255, 266, 270, 275, 280, 282, 283, 288-290, 292, 295, 301 and 303 showed some homology to previously i colated ESTs, while the sequences of SEQ ID NO: 247, 249-253, 256-260, 263-265, 267-269, 271-274, 276-279, 281, 284-287, 291, 293, 294, 296-300, 302, 305-308, 310 and 312-315 showed some homology to previously identified gene sequences.

analyzed by cDNA microarray technology (referred to as Lung Chip 5). Of the these cDNA clones, 960 clones came from SQL1 library, 768 clones came from SCL1 library, and 1536 clones came from SCL3 and SCL4 libraries. Thirty-five pairs of fluorescent labeled cDNA probes were used for the microarray analysis. Each probe pair included a lung tumor probe paired with a normal tissue probe. The expression data was analyzed 498 cDNA clones were found to be overexpressed by 2-fold or greater in the small cell and/or non-small cell lung tumor probe groups compared to the normal tissue probe group. Also, the mean expression values for these clones in normal tissues were below 0.1 (range of expression is from 0.001 to 10). The cDNA sequences disclosed in SEQ ID NO:12:40-1563 represent 324 non-redundant clones.

The following sequences were novel based on database analysis including GenBank and GeneSeq: SEQ ID NO:1240, 1243, 1247, 1269, 1272, 1280, 1283, 1285, 1286, 1289, 1300, 1309, 1318, 1319, 1327, 1335, 1339, 1346, 1359, 1369, 1370, 1371, 1393, 1398, 1405, 1408, 1413, 1414, 1417, 1422, 1429, 1432, 1435, 1436, 1438-1442, 1447, 1450, 1453, 1463, 1467, 1470, 1473, 1475, 1482, 1486, 1491-1494, 1501, 1505, 1506, 1514-1517, 1520, 1522, 1524, 1535, 1538, 1542, 1543, 1547, 1554, 1557, 1559, 1561, and 1563.

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The extended cDNA sequence of the partial sequence of contig 139 (SEQ ID NO:1467), also known as L985P, was predicted by searching public databases using SEQ ID NO: 1467 as a query. By this approach, it was found that SEQ ID NO:1467 had

homolgy to a cDNA sequence (SEQ ID NO:1676) which encoces the cell surface immunomodulator-2 (CSIMM-2). The cDNA sequence of SEQ II: NO:1676 encodes a protein having the sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1677.

By microarray analysis, L985P was overexpressed by 2-fold or greater in the lang tumor probe groups compared to the normal tissue probe group. Moreover, the mean expression values for L985P in normal tissues was below 0.2 (range of expression was from 0.01 to 10). By real-time PCR analysis, greater than 40% of small cell lung carcinoma lung tumor samples tested had elevated L985P expression relative to normal lung tissue. Of those that displayed elevated L985P, the level of expression was greater than 3-fold higher than in normal lung tissue samples. Low or no expression of L985P was detected in an extensive panel of normal tissue RNAs. These findings for L985P support its use both as a diagnositic marker for detecting the presence of lung cancer in a patient and/or as a immunotherapeutic target for the treatment of lung cancer.

D. Isolation of cDNA Sequences from a Neuroendocrine Ligrary using PCR-Based cDNA Library Subtraction

Using the modified PCR-based subtraction process, essentially as described above for the LAP1 subtracted library, a subtracted cDNA library (referred to as MLN1) was derived from a lung neuroendocrine carcinoma that had metastasized to the subcarinal lymph node, by subtraction with a panel of nine normal tissues, including normal lung, brain, kidney, liver, pancreas, skin, heart, lymph node and spleen.

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Ninety-one individual clones were isolated and sequence. The determined cDNA sequences for 58 of these clones are provided in SEQ ID NO: 147-222. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 150, 151, 154, 157, 158, 159, 160, 163, 174, 175, 178, 186-190, 192, 193, 195-200, 208-210, 212-215 and 220 showed no significant homologies to previously identified sequences. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 152, 155, 156, 161, 165, 166, 176, 179, 182, 184, 185, 191, 194, 221 and 222 showed some similarity to previously identified gene sequences, while the sequences of SEQ ID NO: 148, 143, 153, 164, 167-

173, 177, 180, 181, 183, 201-207, 211 and 216-219 showed some similarity to previously isolated ESTs.

The determined cDNA sequences of an additional 442 clones isolated from the MLN1 library are provided in SEQ ID NO: 341-782, with the determined cDNA sequences of an additional 11 clones isolated from the MLN1 library are provided in SEQ ID NO:1654-1664.

Isolation of cDNA Sequences from a Squamous Cell Lung Carcinoma Library using PCR-Based cDNA Library Subtraction

A subtracted cDNA library for squamous cell lung carcinoma (referred to as 10 SQL1) was prepared essentially using the modified PCR-based subtraction process described above, except the tester and driver double stranded cDNA were separately digested with four restriction enzymes (Dral, MscI, PvuII and StuI). cDNA from a pool of two squamous cell lung carcinomas was subtracted against cDNA from a pool of 10 normal tissues, including normal lung, brain, kidney, liver, pancreas, skin, hear, spleen, esophagus and trachea.

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Seventy-four clones were isolated and sequenced. The determined cDNA sequences for 22 of these clones are provided in SEQ ID NO: 223-244. The sequence of SEQ ID NO: 241 showed no significant homologies to previously identified sequences. The sequences of SEQ ID NO: 223, 225, 232, 235, 238, 239, 242 and 243 showed some similarity to previously identified gene sequences, while the sequences of SEQ ID NO: 224, 226-231, 234, 236, 237, 240, 241 and 244 showed some similarity to previously isblated ESTs.

The sequences of an additional 12 clones isolated during characterization of cDNA libraries prepared from lung turnor tissue are provided in SE() ID NO: 813-824. Comparison of these sequences with those in the GenBank database and the GeneSeq DNA database revealed no significant homologies to previously identified sequences.

EXAMPLE 2 SYNTHESIS OF POLYPEPTIDES

Polypeptides may be synthesized on a Perkin Elmer. Applied Biosystems Division 430A peptide synthesizer using FMOC chemistry with HPTU (O-Benzotriazole-N.N,N',N'-tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate) activation. A Gly-Cys-Gly sequence may be attached to the amino terminus of the peptide to provide a method of conjugation, binding to an immobilized surface, or labeling of the peptide. Cleavage of the peptides from the solid support may be carried out using the following cleavage mixture: trifluoroacetic acid:ethanedithiol:thioanisole:water:phenol (40:1:2:2:3). After cleaving for 2 hours, the peptides may be precipitated in cold methyl-t-butyl-ether. The peptide pellets may then be dissolved in water containing 0.1% trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) and lyophilized prior to purification by C18 reverse phase HPLC. A gradient of (16-60% acetonitrile (containing 0.1% TFA) in water (containing 0.1% TFA) may be used to elute the peptides. Following lyophilization of the pure fractions, the peptides may be characterized using electrospray or other types of mass spectrometry and by amino acid analysis.

EXAMPLE 3

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EXPRESSION IN E. COLI OF L548S HIS TAG FUSION PROTEIN

The L548S coding region was PCR amplified with the following primers:

Forward primer starting at amino acid 2:

25 PDM-433: 5' gctaaaggtgaccccaagaaaccaaag 3' Tm 60°C (SEQ ID NO:1665)

Reverse primer creating a XhoI site after the stop codon:

PDM-438: 5' ctattaactcgagggagacagataaacagtttcttta 3' Tm 61°C (SEQ II) NO:1666)

The PCR product was then digested with XhoI restriction enzyme, gel purified and then cloned into pPDM His, a modified pET28 vector with a His tag in frame, which had been digested with Eco72I and XhoI restriction enzymes. The correct construct was confirmed by DNA sequence analysis and then transformed into BL21 (DE3) pLy: S and BL21 (DE3) CodonPlus RIL expression hosts. The protein sequence of expressed recombinant L548S is shown in SEQ ID NO:1667, and the DNA sequence of expressed recombinant L7548S is shown in SEQ ID NO:1668.

EXAMPLE 4

ADDITIONAL ANALYSES OF LUNG CHIP 5 SQL1, SCL1, SCL3 AND SCL4 LIBRARIES

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Additional analyses were performed on lung chip 5 using a criteria of greater than or equal to 2-fold over-expression in tumor probe groups versus normal tissues and an average expression in normal tissues of less than or equal to 0.2. This resulted in the identification of 109 non-redundant clones that are over-expressed in lung carcinomas. As summarized in the Table 10 below, 19 cDNA clones were recovered from the lung squamous cell carcinoma subtracted library SQL1, 9 cDNA clones were recovered from the small cell lung carcinoma library SCL1, and 81 cDNA clones were recovered from the small cell lung carcinoma libraries SCL3 and SCL4.

Table 10

SEQ ID NO:	Seq. Ref.	Element (384)	Element (96)	Ratio	Mean Signal 1	idean Signal 2	Library
1680	58456	p0003r03c13	R0001 E7	3.09	0.424	0.407	
1681	58458	p0003r03c10	R0001 F5			0.137	SQL1
1682	58462			2.31	0.408	(1.176	SQL1
1683		p0003r04c16	R0001 H8	2.22	0.257	0.116	SQL1
	58469	p0003r07c12	R0002 F6	2.1	0.289	().138	SQL1
1684	58470	p0003r09c21	R0003 A11	2.55	0.493		SQL1
1685	58482	p0003r12c19	R0003 G10			().194	
1686	58485			2.16	0.36	(1.167	SQL1
1687		p0003r12c10	R0003 H5	2.48	0.273	·) 11	SQL1
1007	58501	p0004r04c23	R0005 G12	2.04	0.26	0.128	SQL1

SEQ ID		f. Element (384)	Element (96	Ratio	Mean Signal 1	Mean Signal 2	Library
1688	58502	p0004r04c03	R0005 G2	2.17	0.289	0.133	SQL1
1689	58505	p0004r05c23	R0006 A12	3.05	0.454	0.148	SOL1
1690	58507	p0004r06c11	R0006 C6	3.22	0.49	0.152	SQL1
1691	58509	p0004r07c15	R0006 E8	3.26	0.421	0.129	SQL1
1692	58512	p0004r09c03	R0007 A2	3.15	0.559	0.177	SQL1
1693	58527	p0004r12c22	R0007 H11	2.03	0.278	0.137	SQL1
1694	58529	p0004r14c09	R0008 C5	2.25	0.45	0.199	SQL1
1695 1696	58531	p0004r16c01	R0008 G1	2.84	0.387	0.136	SQL1
	58537	p0005r02c08	R0009 D4	2.03	0.355	0.175	SQL1
1697	58539	p0005r03c08	R0009 F4	2.34	0.42	0.18	SQL1
1698	58545	p0005r07c21	R0010 E11	2.96	0.351	0.122	SQL1
1699	59319	p0005r10c04	R0011 D2	3.1	0.478	0.154	SCI.1
1700	59322	p0005r12c01	R0011 G1	2.16	0.255	0.118	SCL1
1701	59348	p0006r11c12	R0015 F6	2.33	0.269	2.116	SCL1
1702	59350	p0006r14c13	R0016 C7	2.41	0.447	7.185	SCL1
1703	59363	p0007r02c16	R0017 D8	2.12	0.421	0.199	SCL1
1704	59365	p0007r03c20	R0017 F10	3.07	0.584	0.19	SCL1
1705	59370	p0007r04c10	R0017 H5	2.06	0.284	0.138	SCL1
1706	59373	p0007r05c23	R0018 A12	2.95	0.472	0.16	SCL1
1707	59376	p0007r06c02	R0018 D1	2.13	0.246	1).116	SCL1
1708	61050	p0011r02c10	R0033 D5	2.23	0.306	0.137	SCL3/4
1709	61051	p0011r03c23	R0033 E12	2.9	0.298	0.103	SCL3/4
1710	61052	p0011r03c08	R0033 F4	2.18	0.265	0.122	SCL3/4
1711	61054	p0011r03c16	R0033 F8	2.11	0.415	0.122	SCL3/4
1712	61056	p0011r04c13	R0033 G7	2.73	0.314	0.115	SCL3/4
1713	61057	p0011r04c10	R0033 H5	2.45	0.463	().189	SCL3/4
1714	61060	p0011r05c11	R0034 A5	3.28	0.536	0.164	SCL3/4
1715	61062	p0011r06c21	R0034 C11	2.73	0.526	0.192	SCL3/4
1716	61063	p0011r06c05	R0034 C3	3.61	0.513	0.142	SCL3/4
1717	61064	p0011r06c04	R0034 D2	2 58	0.477		SCL3/4
1718	61065	p0011r06c14	R0034 D7	4.91	0.55		SCL3/4
1719	61066	p0011r06c18	R0034 D9	2.38	0.285		SCL3/4
1720	61069	p0011r07c16	R0034 F8	2.25	0.426		SCL3/4
1721	61070	p0011r08c21	R0034 G11	2	0.234		SCL3/4
1722	61071	p0011r08c03	R0034 G2	2,76	0.321		SCL3/4
1723	61074	p0011r08c16	R0034 H8	3.02	0.399		SCL3/4
1724	61075	p0011r09c05	R0035 A3	3.83	0.498		SCL3/4
1725	61077	p0011r10c21	R0035 C11	2.12	0.305		SCL3/4
1726	61079			2.04	0.22		SCL3/4
1727	61080	p0011r11c15		2.76	0.299		SCL3/4
1728	61081	p0011r11c14		2.37	0.303		SCL3/4
1729	61083	p0011r12c15		2.29	0.303		SCL3/4
1730	61085	p0011r13c05		2.62	0.43		SCL3/4
1731	61086	p0011r13c09		2.53	0.398		SCL3/4

SEQ ID NO:		Element (384	Element (9	6) Ratio	Mean Signal 1	Mean Signal	Library
1732	61088	p0011r14c05	R0036 C3	4.26	0.702	0.165	SCL3/4
1733	61090	p0011r15c07	R0036 E4		0.429	0.136	SCI.3/4
1734	61091	p0011r16c16	R0036 H8		0.634	0.179	SCL3/4
1735	61093	p0012r02c03	R0037 C2	2.2	0.265	0.121	SCL3/4
1736	61094	p0012r02c11	R0037 C6		1.79	0.118	SCL3/4
1737	61096	p0012r02c08	R0037 D4	2.44	0.27	0.111	SCL3/4
1738	61097	p0012r02c10	R0037 D5	4.52	0.81	0.179	SCL3/4
1739 1740	61099	p0012r03c02	R0037 F1	3.34	0.39	2.117	SCL3/4
	61100	p0012r03c06	R0037 F3	2.03	0.233	0.114	SCL3/4
1741	61103	p0012r04c17	R0037 G9	2.48	0.413	2.167	SCL3/4
1742	61105	p0012r05c11	R0038 A6	3.26	0.501	0.154	SCL3/4
1743	61106	p0012r05c08	R0038 B4	2.46	0.354	2,144	SCL3/4
1744	61110	p0012r06c15	R0038:C8	2.18	0.41	0.188	SCL3/4
1745 1746	61113	p0012r07c09	R0038 E5	2.47	0.376	0.152	SCL3/4
1747	61115	p0012r07c13	R0038 E7	2.57	0.483	0.188	SCL3/4
1747	61117	p0012r07c24	R0038 F12	2.18	0.235	1).108	SCL3/4
1748	61118	p0012r07c18	R0038:F9	4.44	0.605	0.136	SCL3/4
1750	61119	p0012r08c03	R0038 G2	2.97	0.35	0.118	SCL3/4
1751	61120	p0012r08c07	R0038 G4	2.23	0.323	1),144	SCL3/4
1752	61122	p0012r08c18	R0038 H9	2.23	0.373	0.168	SCL3/4
1753	61125	p0012r10c17	R0039 C9	2.1	0.22	0.105	SCL3/4
1754	61126	p0012r10c16	R0039 D8	2.47	0.345	0.14	SCL3/4
1755	61130	p0012r12c12	R0039 H6	2.66	0.282	0.106	SCL3/4
1756	61133	p0012r13c24	R0040 B12	2.25	0.27	0.12	SCL3/4
1757	61134	p0012r14c23	R0040 C12	2.23	0.228	0.102	SCL3/4
1758	61135	p0012r14c03	R0040 C2	2.05	0.298	().146	SCL3/4
1759	61137	p0012r14c02	R0040 D1	8.63	1.463	0.17	SCL3/4
1760	61139	p0012r14c14	R0040 D7	2.69	0.3	0.111	SCL3/4
1761		p0012r16c02	R0040 H1	2.55	0.318	(1.125	SCL3/4
1762		p0012r16c18	R0040 H9	2.85	0.318	0.112	SCL3/4
1763		p0013r02c19	R0041 C10	2.33	0.453	(.199	SCL3/4
1764		p0013r02c03	R0041 C2	2.25	0.335	[.149	SCL3/4
1765		p0013r04c07	R0041 G4	2.13	0.366		SCL3/4
1766		p0013r05c05	R0042 A3	2.73	0.38		SCL3/4
1767			R0042 D12	4.57	0.831		SCL3/4
1768		p0013r07c19	R0042 E10	8.6	1.191	C.138	SCL3/4
1769		p0013r07c18	R0042 F9	2.18	0.278	0.128	SCL3/4
770		p0013r10c12	R0043 D6	3.13	0.39	0.124	SCL3/4
771		00013r12c03	R0043 G2	2	0.396	0.198	SCL3/4
772		00013r12c07	R0043 G4	3.73	0.72		SCL3/4
773		00013r13c04	R0044 B2	2.34	0.446	0.19	SCL3/4
774		0013r14c01	R0044 C1	3.9	0.539	0.138	SCL3/4
775		00013r15c14	R0044 F7	5.49	0.959	3 175	SCL3/4
	31100]	00013r16c24 I	R0044 H12	2.25	0.409	182 3	SCL3/4

SEQ ID NO:	Seq. Ref.	Element (384)	Element (96)	Ratio	Mean Signal 1	Mean Signal 2	Library
1776	61188	p0014r01c07	R0045 A4	2.14	0.271	0.127	SCL3/4
1777	61192	p0014r02c19	R0045 C10	2.33	0.321	0.138	SCL3/4
1778	61198	p0014r04c24	R0045 H12	2.3	0.321	0.14	SCL3/4
1779	61201	p0014r06c22	R0046 D11	2.43	0.269	0.111	SCL3/4
1780	61202	p0014r06c08	R0046 D4	2.57	0.346	0.111	SCL3/4
1781	61204	p0014r07c07	R0046 E4	4.27	0.516		SCL3/4
1782	61206	p0014r07c12	R0045 F6	2.18	0.364	0.121	SCL3/4
1783	61210	p0015r09c02	R0051 B1	2.43	0.463	0.167	
1784	61212	p0015r10c15	R0051 C8	2.64	0.406	0.19	SCL3/4 SCL3/4
1785	61216	p0015r11c16	R0051 F8	2.28	0.408	0.154	
1786	61225	p0015r14c12	R0052 D6	2.25	0.278	0.122	SCL3/4
1787	61226	p0015r14c14	R0052 D7	2.54			SCL3/4
1788	61227	p0015r16c18	R0052 H9	2.06	0.3	0.118	SCL3/4

The ratio of signal 1 to signal 2 in the table above provices a measure of the level of expression of the identified sequences in tumor versus normal tissues. For example, for SEQ ID NO: 1669, the tumor-specific signal was 3.09 times that of the signal for the normal tissues tested; for SEQ ID NO: 1670, the tumor-specific signal was 2.31 times that of the signal for normal tissues, etc.

EXAMPLE 5 REAL-TIME PCR ANALYSES OF LUNG TUMOR SEQUENCES

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Real-time PCR was performed on a subset of the lung tumor sequences disclosed herein in order to further evaluate their expression profiles in various tumor and normal tissues. Briefly, quantitation of PCR product relies on the few cycles where the amount of DNA amplifies logarithmically from barely above the background to the plateau. Using continuous fluorescence monitoring, the threshold cycle number where DNA amplifies logarithmically is easily determined in each PCR reaction. There are two fluorescence detecting systems. One is based upon a double-strand DNA specific binding dye SYBR Green I dye. The other uses TaqMan probe containing a Reporter dye at the 5' end (FAM) and a Quencher dye at the 3' end (TAMRA) (Perkin Elmer/Applied Biosystems Division, Foster City, CA). Target-specific PCR amplification results in cleavage and

release of the Reporter dye from the Quencher-containing probe by the nuclease activity of AmpliTaq GoldTM (Perkin Elmer/Applied Biosystems Division, Foster City, CA). Thus, fluorescence signal generated from released reporter dye is proportional to the amount of PCR product. Both detection methods have been found to generate comparable results. To compare the relative level of gene expression in multiple tissue samples, a panel of cDNAs is constructed using RNA from tissues and/or cell lines, and real-time PCR is performed using gene specific primers to quantify the copy number in each cDNA sample. Each cDNA sample is generally performed in duplicate and each reaction repeated in duplicated plates. The final Real-time PCR result is typically reported as an average of copy number of a gene of interest normalized against internal action number in each cDNA sample. Real-time PCR reactions may be performed on a GeneAmp 5700 Detector using SYBR Green I due or an ABI PRISM 7700 Detector using the TaqMan probe (Perkin Elmer/Applied Bosystems Division, Foster City, CA).

Results obtained from real-time PCR analysis of a number of lung tumor-specific sequences disclosed herein are summarized in the table below. In addition, extended cDNA sequences for many of these clones were obtained by searching public sequence databases. The extended sequences, and the proteins encoded by those sequences, are identified by SEQ ID NO: in Table 11 below.

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Table 11

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Library	Clone Name	Cione No.	SEQ ID NO:	Real-Time PCR Results	Exterded cDfM Sequence	Encoded Polypeptide Sequence
SQL1	L972P	47988	1709	Overexpressed in 1/7 lung squamous tumor, 1/3 HN squamous tumor. Low or no expression in normal tissues.		
SQL1	L979P	48005	1790	Over-expressed in 2/7 squamous lung tumors, 1/3 HN squamous tumors, 1/2 adeno lung tumors. Low or no expression in normal lissues.	1791	1806
SQL1	L970P	49853	1269	Highly overexpressed in 1/7 lung squamous tumors and 1/3 HN squamous tumor. Low or no expression		

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Libra	Clo Nan				Extended cDNA Sequence	Encoded Polypeptide Sequence
				n normal tissues.		
SQL	.1 L981	P 4986	35 127	Over-expressed in 1/6 squamous lung and 1/3 HN squamous tumors. Low or no expression in normal tissues.		·
SQL	.1 L980	P 4982	26 127	Over-expressed in 3/7 squamous lung	17'8'2	1807
SCL	1 L973	P 2063	1 117	Over-expressed in atypical carcinoid METs and adenocarcinoma. Expression in several normal tissues.	1753	1808
SCL	1 L974	P 2066	1 128	Over-expressed in primary small cell. squamous and adenocarcinomas. Expression observed in several normal tissues.	1754	1809
SCL1	L9961	50430	0 1442	Over-expressed in 2/2 Primary Small Cell, 6/6 Small Cell Lines, 1/1 Atypical Carc, METs, 1/1 Adeno, 1/1 Squamous, Very low or no expression in normal tissues.	1795	1810
SCL3	L977F	26961	288	Over-expressed in 1/2 Primary Small Cell, 1/6 Small Cell-Cell Line, and 1/1 Carcinoid Mets. Very low or no expression in normal hissues	1793	1811
6CL2	L978P	24928	1339	Over-expressed in 2/2 primary small cell, 3/6 small cell-cell lines 1/1	1737	1812
SCL3/4	L984P	50507	1446	Highly expressed in 1/2 primary small cell tumors and 4/6 small cell tumor cell lines. Low or no expression in normal tissues.	1790	1813
SCL3/4	L580S	50536	1449	Over-expressed in select small cell and squamous tumors. Some expression observed normal brain, bronchiol, soft palate and traches.		
CL3/4	L988P	50645	1531	Over-expressed in 1/2 Primary Small Cell, 1/2 Primary Small Cell, 6/6 Small Cell-Cell Lines, 1/1 Carcinoid Mets., Adeno & Squamous Tumor pool. Expressed in some normal tissues (brain, adrenal gland, salivary gland, trachea, thyrnus).	1766	1814
CL3/4	L1423P	50625	1533	cell, 5/6 small cell-cell lines, 1/1 carcinoid mets. Also expressed in normal brain and pituitary gland.	18CC	1815

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Libra	ry Clone Name		e SEQ I		Extended cDNA Sequence	Encoded Polypeptide Sequence
SCL3	/4 L986F	50483	3 1490	tumor pool. Expressed in normal brain, pituitary gland and spinal cord		
SCL3	/4 L987F	50560	1527	Over-expression in 1/2 Primary Small	18))1	1816-1818
SCL3/	4 L1424	50639	1547	Over-expression in 1/2 Primary Small Cell and 1/1 Carcinoid Mets. Low or no expression in normal tissues.		
MLN1	L997P	26749	730	Over-expression in 1/1 atypical carcinold METs. No expression in normal tissues.		
NLN1	L999P	26752	733	Over-expressed in 2/2 Primary Small Cell, 6/6 Small Cell Cell Lines, 1/1 Asyression in Several normal tissues		
NLN1	L1400P	26529	405	Over-expressed in 2/8 Small Cell Cell Lines and 2/2 Primary Small Cell. Moderate to low expression in several normal tissues.		
NLN1	L998P	27699		Over-expression in 1/1 Atypical Carcinoid METs. Low expression in normal tissues.	1802	1819
LAP1	L1425P	59303	949	Over-expressed in 4/7 squamous turnors, 1/2 adenocarcinoma turnors and in a pool of six small cell lung carcinomas. Moderate to high expression observed in normal brain, kidney and skeletal muscle.	1803	1820
LAP1	L1426P	59314	1158	Highly overexpressed in one lung squamous turnor and one HN squamous turnor. Very low or no expression observed in normal tissues.	1804	1821
LAP1	L1427P	59298	921	dighly over-expressed in 3/12 adenocarcinoma tumors. Very low or no expression in normal tissues.	1805	1822
LAP1	L1428P	59316	1180 e	Over-expressed in 4/12 denocarcinoma tumors and lower level xpression in several other denocarcinoma tumors. Very low or no xpression in normal tissues.		

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EXAMPLE 6

IDENTIFICATION OF CD4 IMMUNOGENIC T CELL EI TOPES DERIVED FROM LUNG TUMOR ANTIGENS

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CD4 T cell lines specific for the antigen L548S (SEC ID NO: 789) were generated as follows.

A series of overlapping 20-mer peptides were synthesized that spanned the entire L548S sequence (SEQ ID NO: 1834-1856, respectively). For princing, peptides were combined into pools of 4-5 peptides and cultured at 2 micrograms/ml with dendritic cells and purified CD4+ T cells in 96 well U-bottomed plates. One hundred cultures were generated for each peptide pool. Cultures were restimulated weekly with fresh dendritic cells loaded with peptide pools. Following a total of 3 stimulation cyc.cs, cells were rested for an additional week and tested for specificity to antigen presenting cells (APC) pulsed with peptide pools using interferon-gamma ELISA and proliferation assays. For these assays, adherent monocytes loaded with either the relevant peptide pool, recombinant L348S or an irrelevant peptide were used as antigen presenting cells (APC). As shown in Table 12, below, a number of CD4 T cell lines demonstrated reactivity with the priming peptides as well as recombinant L548S protein. These lines were further expanded to be tested for recognition of individual peptides from the pools, as well as for recognition of recombinant L548S.

The dominant reactivity of these lines appeared to be with peptide 21 (SEQ ID NO: 1854), which corresponds to amino acids 161-180 of L548S.

Table 12

		ulation		liferation (CP)	St mulation Index		
ŀ	eptides	Positive cell lines	No antigen	Peptides	L548S	Pertides	L548S
ρĺ	-5	Bi	700	14891	8791	21	13
	<u>i </u>	B2	1135	48724	539-14	42	47
		G2	1227	7609	3193	6	h
	10						
pl	1-15	E2	8315	33723	13391	4	2
		E4	22097	100040	44171	5	2
p1	6-19						
<u>p2</u>	D-23	E3	3937	45367	15524	11	4
		F4	2648	130947	12927	49	5

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EXAMPLE 7 DETECTION OF ANTIBODIES AGAINST LUNG TUMOR ANTIGENS IN PATIENT SERA

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Antibodies specific for the lung tumor antigens L548S (SEQ ID NO: 789) and L552S (SEQ ID NO: 809) were shown to be present in effusion fluid or sera of lung cancer patients but not in normal donors. More specifically, the presence of antibodies against L548S, L551S (SEQ ID NO: 827) and L552S in effusion fluid obtained from lung cancer patients and in sera from normal donors was examined by ELISA using recombinant 15 proteins and HRP-conjugated anti-human Ig. Briefly, each protein (100 ng) was coated in a 96 well plate at pH 9.5. In parallel, BSA (bovine serum albumin) was also coated as a control protein. The signals ([S], absorbance measured at 405 nm) against BSA ([N]) were determined. The results of these studies are shown in Table 13, wherein - represents [S]/[N] < 2; +/- represents [S]/[N] > 2; ++ represents [S]/[N] > 3; and +++ represents [S]/[N] > 5.

<u>Table 13</u>

Detection of Antibodies against Lung Tumor Antigens

	L548S	L551S	L5523
Effusion fluid			23323
#1	+/-	1	
#2	-		
#3	-	1 . 1	+++
#4	•		
#5	+/-		
#7		-	
#8	-	_	+/-
#10	-		+/-
#11		-	
#12	=	-	+/-
#13	-	-	
#14	+/-		+/-
#15	-		
#17		-	++
#18		-	
#19	•	-	++
#20	_	-	
Normal sera			
#21			
#22	-		
#23	-		
#24	-		
#25	-		

Using Western blot analyses, antibodies against L552S were found to present in 1 out of 4 samples of effusion fluid from lung cancer patients, with no L552S antibodies being detected in the three samples of normal sera tested.

EXAMPLE 8 FUSION PROTEINS OF LUNG TUMOR ANTIGENS

Fusion proteins of full-length Ra12 with either L801P CRF4 (SEQ ID NO: 5 1670) or L801P ORF5 (SEQ ID NO: 1671) were prepared and expressed as single recombinant proteins in E. coli as follows.

The cDNA for ORF4 of L801P was obtained by PCR with a cDNA for the full length L801P and the primers of SEQ ID NO: 1857 and 1858. The :DNA for ORF5 of L801P was obtained by PCR with a cDNA for the full length L801F and the primers of SEQ ID NO: 1859 and 1860. The PCR products with expected size were recovered from agarose gel, digested with restriction enzymes EcoRl and XhoI, and cloned into the corresponding sites in the expression vector pCRX1 for subsequent expression in E. coli. For the fusion of Ra12 with ORF4, the best expression was obtained in HMS174(DE3)pLysS in 2xYS media, with recombinant protein being induced using IPTG at 37 °C for approximately 3 hours. For the fusion of Ra12 with ORF5, the best expression was obtained in HMS174(DE3)pLysS in 2xYS media, again with recombinant protein being induced using IPTG at 37 °C for approximately 3 hours. The plesmids used for the fusion protein production were confirmed by DNA sequencing. The determined cDNA sequences for the ORF4 and ORF5 fusions are provided in SEQ ID NO: 1861 and 1862, respectively, with the corresponding amino acid sequences being provided in SEQ ID NO: 1853 and 1864, respectively.

EXAMPLE 9

CLONING OF CDNA ENCODING FULL-LENGTH L984P

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The example illustrates the isolation of cDNA sequences encoding L984P by PCR amplication from four separate cDNA sources. Briefly, an earlier isolated cDNA sequence of clone L984P was identified as having homology to a DNA sequence that encodes human achaete-scute homolog 1 (ASH1). Gene specific primers were made using

the sequence information present in the public domain for ASHI (genbank acc. NM-004316). Using these gene specific primers in PCR amplification, L984P was cloned from four separate cDNA sources. The four cDNA sources were a small cell lung carcinoma primary tumor sample (RNA Id. 573A), a METs neuroendocrine atypical carcinoid sample (RNA Id. 512A), and two small cell lung carcinoma cell lines (cell-line Id. NCI H128 and DMS79). The determined cDNA sequences for these four clones are provided in SEQ ID No:1865-1868, respectively. The coding region of the cDNA contains a repeat of the triplet CAG that exhibits polymorphism in the human genomic DNA. This polymorphism can be observed in L984P cloned from the four different sources as well as from the cDNA 10 of ASH1 and that derived from the human chromosome 4. The cDNA of ASH1 (genbank Acc. NM-006688) deposited in the genbank database contains 14 copie; of the triple CAG, whereas the cDNA sequence derived from the human chromosome 4 sequence (genbank Acc. XM_006688) contains 12 copies of the triplet. The cDNA cloned from 573A and 512A both contain 12 copies of the CAG triplet. The cDNA cloned from the small cell lung carcinoma cell line DMS79 contains 13 copies of the triplet CAG while the cDNA cloped from the small cell lung carcinoma cell line NCI H128 contains only 10 copies of the triplet CAG. As the polymorphism is present in the coding region, this results in polymorphisms in the protein sequences as well (see, SEQ ID NO:1869-1372).

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EXAMPLE 10 CLONING OF CDNA ENCODING FULL-LENGTH L98:FP

As previously disclosed in Example 1C, a search of the public databases using the sequence for contig 139 (SEQ ID NO:1467, also known as L935P) as the query was conducted and showed that this sequence had homology to the cDNA (SEQ ID NO:1676) encoding the cell surface immunomodulator-2 (CSIMM-2, requence obtained from the Geneseq database). The full-length sequence of the clone was obtained by screening a small cell lung carcinoma cDNA library with a radioactively labeled probe of the original cloned sequence (SEQ ID NO:1467). Approximately 500,000 clones from the

cIDNA library were screened and 2 independent clones containing cDNA insert of 1.35 kb were isolated. The full-length cDNA sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO:1873 and the encoded amino acid sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO:1874. Surprisingly, an alignment of the isolated full-length cDNA sequence of L985P (SEQ ID NO.1873) with the Geneseq database sequence for CSIMM-2 showed that L985P differs from the GeneSeq database sequence by one nucleotide. This nucleotide difference results in a change of one amino acid residue at position 119 (G to E) of SEQ ID NO:1874.

The predicted protein structure and sequence of L985P indicates that it is a member of the tetraspanin family (TM4SF) as evidence by its homology to other TM4SF family members. The TM4SF family consists of approximately 20 different members. Tetraspanins are cell surface expressed proteins with four transmembrane spanning domains. The two extracellular domains of the tetraspanins are subject to post-translational medifications, including glycosyation and acylation. Tetraspanin family members exhibit 20-30% overall homology, which is confined mostly to the transpernbrane domains. Similar to other TM4SF family members, L985P is predicted to consist of four transmembrane regions, two extracellular domains, and three intracellular domains which include the N- and C-terminal regions of the protein. Several of the tetraspanins demonstrate a broad tissue distribution, including CD9, CD63, CD81 and CD82, whereas others are highly restricted to particular cell types, such as CD37 on B cells or CD53 on lymphoid and myeloid cells. As also mentioned in Example 1C, L985F is over-expressed in small cell lung carcinoma as determined by quantitative real-time PCR. Low level expression is seen in some normal tissues including lung, pituitary gland, stomach, colon, and trachea, while expression in other normal tissues checked was negligible or undetectable (see, Example 1C).

Tetraspanins are associated with cancer and may play a direct role in controlling tumor progression. Although CD9 expression will positively influence B cell migration, CD9 overexpression suppresses motility and metastasis in carcinoma cells and there is an inverse correlation with metastasis in melanoma. However, CD9 is also expressed on 90% of non-T cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia cells and 50% of chronic

lymphocytic leukemias. A recent study using RT-PCR analysis of tetraspanin expression in Burkitt lymphoma cell lines found that 90% of the lines express CD53, CD81, CD63, CD82 and SAS at high levels. CD151/PETA3 is an effector of metastasis and cell migration and Mabs that block this activity have been developed. overexpressioin of the tetraspanin CO-029/D6.1 will increase the metastatic potential of cell lines. The tetraspanins control a diverse set of biological functions that can be regulated by Mabs. The functions of the tetraspanins, in general, can be grouped into actions that affect cell activation and proliferation, as well as adhesion and motility. These functions tend to be carried out by their association with integrins. The functional activity of tetraspanins can be modulated with Mabs in such a way as to control cell proliferation. For example, CD81/TAPA-1 is associated with B cell activation and increased proliferation, an activity that can be blocked with Mabs. Mabs with anti-proliferative activity have been generated to the tetraspanin family member CO-029/D6.1. Thus, by comparison, features that make Her2 and CD20 effective therapeutic Mab targets (i.e. control of proliferation) may make tetraspanins good targets for this type of therapeutic intervention. As mentioned above, L985P is specifically over-expressed in small cell lung Thus, L985P represents an attractive target for therapeutic antibody carcinoma. intervention in small cell lung carcinoma. To facilitate the generation, purification, and evaluation of Mab against L985P, Mabs against the untire deduced amino acid sequence of the L985P protein, peptides derived from L985P or chemically produced (synthetic) L985P peptides will be used. Also, one can use Mabs raised against chimeric forms of L985P protein molecule fused to Ral2 protein either the long form (Ral2- which is the first 128 amino acids of Ra12) and/or the short form (Ra12S) or fused to a polyhistidine peptide or any combination of these molecules. Provided are the predicted cDNA and amino acid sequences for the his-tagged L985P-Ra12 fusion molecules: Ra12-L985P_cDNA (SEQ ID NO:1875), Ra12-L985P_Protein (SEQ ID NO:1876), Ra12S-L985F_cDNA (SEQ ID NC:1877) and Ra12S-L985P_Protein (SEQ ID NO:1878); and the L985I derived peptides: his tagged Ra12S-L985PEx_cDNA (SEQ ID NO:1879), his tagged Ra12S

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L985PEx_Protein (SEQ ID NO:1880), L985P_Extracellular_Loop-2_cDNA (SEQ ID NO:1881) and L985P_Extracellular_Loop-2_Peptide (SEQ ID NO:1882).

EXAMPLE 11

EXPRESSION IN E. COLI OF A HIS-TAGGED RA12-L985P FUSION PROTEIN

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This example sets forth a specific embodiment of a fusion between Ra12 and L985P and its expression in E. coli. A his-tagged fusion protein of the long-form of Ra12 and all but the first three amino acid residues of L985P was expressed as a single recombinant protein in E. coli. The long-form of Ra12 was modified from the original sequence of amino acid residues 192-323 of MTA32A in that a punative thrombin cleavage site was replaced with a HindIII restriction site. The L985P was fused downstream of the Ra12 sequence in a pCRX1 vector. The Ra12 sequence was cloned downstream of the RBS. As a result, a his-tagged fusion protein is produced when the recombinant vector is expressed in E. coli. The sequence for the fusion of the long-form of Ra12 and L985P was confirmed by DNA sequencing. The determined cDNA sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO:1875 as this sequence is the same as that predicted in Example 10.

EXAMPLE 12

CLONING OF CDNA ENCODING FULL-LENGTH L1428P

As previously disclosed in Example 5, real-time PCR was performed on a subset of the lung tumor sequences disclosed herein in order to further evaluate their expression profiles in various tumor and normal tissues. The results of which were provided in Table 11. One of the sequences analyzed was from clone #59316 (SEQ ID NO:1180, L1428P) and was shown to be expressed in a subset of lung admocarcinomas.

Further studies have isolated the full-length cDNA for the cloned sequence of #59316 (SEQ ID NO:1180, L1428P) In order to determine the transcript size of the gene, a multiple tissue Northern blot was probed with the radioactively labeled original

cloned sequence (SEQ ID NO:1180). The Northern blot included about 20 ug of total RNA from lung adenocarcinoma and normal tissues samples. Visual analysis of the exposed film revealed a single transcript of approximately 6.5 - 7.0 kb. The full-length sequence of the clone was obtained by screening a lung adenocarcinoma primary tumor cDNA library with a radioactively labeled probe of the original cloned sequence (SEQ ID NO:1180). Approximately 500,000 clones from the cDNA library were screened and 5 independent clones containing a cDNA insert of 6.8 kb were isolated. This insert size is similar to the side estimated by Northern-blot analysis. The full-length sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO:1883. Although no distinct ORF could be identified, seven potential ORFs can be 10 predicted and the amino-acid sequences of these potential ORFs, designated L1428P_ORF1 to ORF7, are provided in SEQ ID NO:1884-1890, respectively. The expression of fulllength L1428P was re-analyzed by real-time PCR as set forth in Example 5 on extended cUNA panels for both lung adenocarcinomas and squamous cell carcinomas. The lung adenocarcinoma extended panel real-time results again confirm the expression of L1428P 15 in adenocarcinoma with about 40-50% of the adenocarcinoma samples showing varying levels of expression. The real-time results from the squamous cell mircinoma extended panel shows that L1428P is also expressed in lung squamous cell carcinoma. However, the expression was in fewer lung squamous cell carcinoma samples and at a lower level.

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EXAMPLE 13

REAL-TIME PCR ANALYSIS OF CDNA SEQUENCES WHICH ARE OVER-EXPRESSED IN LUNG TUMORS AS SHOWN BY MICROARRAY

The following clones listed in Table 14 were shown previously to be overexpressed in lung tumors by microarry analysis (see, Example 2C and Example 6, Table 10).
The results of this microarray analysis are summarized below in Table 14.

Table 14

SEQ ID NO:	CLONE ID	Ratio		T
	#.	Kaijo	Mean Signal 1	Mean Signal
1383	50096	16.04	1.575	
	(contig 156) 54454		1.0 12	0.118
1560	(contig 234)	2.86	0.2	0.07
1561	54463	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		0.07
1	(contig 235)	3.31	0.248	0.075
1707	59376	3.23	0.734	0.005
1733	61090	2.68		0.227
1735	61093	5.7	0.364	0.136
1758	61137		0.687	0.121
1761		8.63	1.463	0.17
 	61144	7.02	0.783	0.112
1766	61159	4.57	0.831	0.182
1771	61173	5.57	1.075	
1775	61185	5.29		0.193
1786	61225	3.41	0.962	0.182
		3.41	0.379	0.111

Real-time PCR analysis was performed on these sequences on a small cell lung carcinoma panel as described in Example 7. The results obtained from the real-time PCR analysis are summarized in Table 15.

Table 15

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S	eq. ID. No	Real-Time PCR Results
	1383	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 pr mary small cell carcinoma and 6/6 SCLC cell lines. Some expression is also seen in normal brain, pituitary gland, spinal cord, and thymus.
	1560	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas and 3/6 SCLC cell lines. Expression is also seen in normal brain and pituitary gland.
	1561	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, 1/1 atypical carcinoid metastases, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma pools. Expression is also seen in normal bone marrow, lymph node, thymus, and at lower levels in other normal tissues.
	1707	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 1/6 SCLC cell lines and 0/2 primary small cell carcinomas. It is also expressed in normal stomach and at lower levels in normal brain, salivary gland, and techea.
	1733	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, 1/1 atypical carcinoid no tastases, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma pools. some expression is also seen in normal bone marrow, lymph node, thyms, and at lower levels in other normal tissues.
	1735	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 5/6 SCLC cell lines, 0/1 atypical carcinoid metastases, and adenocarcinoma pool. Lower level expression is also seem in normal bone marrow and skeletal muscle.
	1758	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, 0/1 atypical carcinoid metastases, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma pools. Some expression is also seen in normal bone marrow, thyroid gland, and trachea.
	1761	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, 0/1 atypical carcinoid nuctastases, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma pools. Expression is also seen in normal bone marrow.

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Seq. ID. No	Real-Time PCR Results	
1766	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, and 0/1 atypical carcinoid metastases. Expression is also seen in normal pituitary gland, adrenal gland, bone marrow, thymus, salivary gland, and at lower levels in a variety of other normal tissues.	
1771	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, 0/1 atypical carcinoid metastases, and squamo cell carcinoma pools. Some expression is also seen in normal pituitary gland.	15
1775	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 prinary small cell carcinomas, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma pools. No expression is observed in the SCLC cell lines and the atypical carcinoid metastases. Some normal tissue expression is seen in liver, stomach, thyroic gland, lymph node, and thymus.	
1776	On the SCLC panel, this gene is overexpressed in 2/2 primary small cell carcinomas, 6/6 SCLC cell lines, adenocarcinoma, and squamous cell carcinoma pools. Some expression is also seen in normal bone marrow, pituitary gland, stomach, trachea, and thymus.	

These sequences were then compared to known sequences in the available databases (Genbank, GeneSeq, huEST, etc.). Nine of these sequences showed some degree of similarity to known sequences in the available databases. The results of these nine hits are summarized in Table 16 along with providing sequence listing identifiers for the DNA sequences and the respective encoded amino acid sequences (where available) of these matches. SEQ ID NO:1561 and 1786 showed no significant similarity to any known sequences.

Table 16

Seq. ID. GenBank Database Hit GeneSeq. Hit Seq. of Of Hit Knoth Hi	nino I Seq Hit (If DWn) 001
Oncoprotein 18 1560 CDNA DKFZp564O163 1892 1561 Novel Human secreted protein 5' EST. (C30107) 1707 SOX21 (AF107044) Human secreted protein gene 7 cloone HE8CV18. (X27317) 1733 KIAA0166 gene (D79988) Human gene signature HUMGS08725. (T26483)	
1561 Novel Human secreted protein 5 EST. (C30107) 1707 SOX21 (AF107044) Human secreted protein gene 7 cloone HE8CV18. (X27317) 1733 KIAA0166 gene (D79988) Human gene signature HUMGS08725 (T26483)	02
1561 Novel	02
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(D79988) HUMGS08725 (T26483)	_
	03
1735 Ubiquitin-conjugating DNA encoding human 1395 19 enzyme E2 (AF160215) ubiquitin-like conjugating protein (UBCLE). (X81676)	04
1758 Pituitary tumor Z97293, X89295, V36964, 1396 transforming gene V63198, Z97292, C00858, protein 1 (AF095287) V88346, Z80287	05
1761 Novel Kidney injury associated 1397 190 molecule HW051 cDNA clone. (V80605))6
Cyclin-dependent kinase inhibitor p18 (CDKN2C) (CDK6) inhibiting protein. (T10925; T31456))7
1771 CDK4-inhibitor (p16- INK4) (L27211) Multiple Matches 1399 190	8
Monokine induced by gamma interferon (MIG) (NM 002416) Monokine induced by gammer-interferon. (X14998; Z26088)	19
1776 Novel	

Further studies have isolated the full-length cDNA sequence for the cloned sequence of clone #61093 (SEQ ID NO:1735, I.1437P). In order to determine the transcript size of the gene, a multiple tissue Northern blot was probed with the radioactively labeled original cloned sequence (SEQ ID NO:1735). The Northern blor included about 20 ugi of total RNA from small cell lung carcinoma and normal tissues samples. Visual analysis of the exposed film revealed a single transcript of approximately 1.2 kb. The fulllength sequence was obtained by screening a small cell lung carcinoma tumor cDNA library with the radioactively labeled probe of the original cloned sequence (SEQ ID NO:1735). Approximately 120,000 clones from the cDNA library were screened and 2 independent clones containing a cDNA insert of 931 bases were isolated. The inserts are similar in size to that estimated by Northern Blot analysis. The full-length cDNA sequence is provided in SEQ ID NO:1910. It was discovered that there was one nucleotide difference between the full-length cDNA and a previously published sequence. However, this nucleotide change does not result in a change in the deduced arnino acid sequence. The deduced amino acid sequence encoded by the full-length cDNA is the same as already provided in SEQ ID NO: 1904, and confirms earlier predictions that this cDNA encodes a known protein, ubiquitin-conjugated enzyme E2 (AI 160215, SEQ ID NO:1904). SEQ ID NG:1910 (L1437P) was shown to be over-expressed in lung small cell lung carcinoma by microarray, real-time PCR and Northern Blot analysis.

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EXAMPLE 14

EXPRESSION IN E. COLI OF A L548S HIS TAG FUSION PROTEIN

PCR was performed on the L548S coding region with the following primers:

Forward primer PDM-433 5' getaaaggtgaccccaaggaaaccaaag 3' (SEQ II)
NO:1911) Tm 60°C.

Reverse primer PDM-438 5' ctattaactcgagggagacagataaa.cagtttcttta 3' (SEØ ID NO:1912) TM 61°C.

The PCR conditions were as follows:

10µl 10X Pfu buffer

1.0µl 10mM dNTPs

2.0µl 10µM each primer

83µl sterile water

1.5μl Pfu DNA polymerase (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA)

50ηg DNA

96°C for 2 minutes, 96°C for 20 seconds, 61°C for 15 seconds, 72°C for 1 minute 30 seconds with 40 cycles and then 72°C for 4 minutes.

The PCR product was digested with XhoI restriction enzyme, gel purified and then cloned into pPDM His, a modified pET28 vector with a His tag in frame, which had been digested with Eco72I and XhoI restriction enzymes. The correct construct was confirmed by DNA sequence analysis and then transformed into BL21 CodonPlus (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) and BL21 pLys S (Novagen, Madison, WI) cells for expression

The amino acid sequence of expressed recombinant L548S is shown in SEQ

15 ID NO:1913, and the DNA coding region sequence is shown in SEQ ID NO:1914.

EXAMPLE 15

EXPRESSION IN E. COLI OF A L551S HIS TAG FUSION PROTEIN

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PCR was performed on the L551S coding region with the following primers:

Forward primer PDM-498 5' gtgacgatggaggaggtgcgggagatgg 3' (SEQ ID NO:1915) Tm 67°C.

Reverse primer PDM-499 5' cgcctaactcgagtcactaacagct3ggag 3' (SEQ ID

25 NФ:1916) TM 66℃.

The PCR conditions were as follows:

10µl 10X Pfu buffer

1.0µl 10mM dNTPs

2.0µl 10µM each primer

83µl sterile water

1.5µl Pfu DNA polymerase (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA)

96°C for 2 minutes, 96°C for 20 seconds, 66°C for 15 seconds, 72°C for 2 minutes 20 seconds with 40 cycles and then 72°C for 4 minutes.

The PCR product was digested with XhoI restriction enzyme, gel purified and then cloned into pPDM His, a modified pET28 vector with a His tag in frame, which had been digested with Eco72I and XhoI restriction enzymes. The correct construct was confirmed by DNA sequence analysis and then transformed into BLR (DE3) pLys S and BLR (DE3) CodonPlus RP cells for expression.

The amino acid sequence of expressed recombinant L5513 is shown in SEQ ID NO:1917, and the DNA coding region sequence is shown in SEQ ID NO:1918.

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EXAMPLE 16

EXPRESSION IN $\it E.~COLI$ OF A L552S HIS TAG $\it e$ USION FROTEIN

PCR was performed on the L552S coding region with the following primers:

Forward primer PDM-479 5' eggtgecaegeceatggacette 3' (SEQ ID

20 NO:1919) Tm 64°C.

Reverse primer PDM-480 5' ctgagaattcattaaacttgtggttgctcttcacc 3' (SEQ ID NC:1920) TM 62°C.

The PCR conditions were as follows:

10µl 10X Pfu buffer

1.0µl 10mM dNTPs

2.0µl 10µM each primer

83µl sterile water

1.5µl Pfu DNA polymerase (Stratagene, La Jolla, □A)

50ng DNA

96°C for 2 minutes, 96°C for 20 seconds, 63°C for 15 seconds, 72°C for 1 minute with 40 cycles and then 72°C for 4 minutes.

The PCR product was digested with EcoRI restriction enzyme, gel purified and then cloned into pPDM His, a modified pET28 vector with a His tag in frame, which had been digested with Eco72I and EcoRI restriction enzymes. The correct construct was confirmed by DNA sequence analysis and then transformed into BL21 CodonPlus (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA) cells for expression.

The amino acid sequence of expressed recombinant L5523 is shown in SEQ ID NO:1921, and the DNA coding region sequence is shown in SEQ ID NO:1922.

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EXAMPLE 17

CLONING OF CDNA ENCODING FULL-LENGTH CLONES #19069 AND CLONES #18965 OR #18902

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Partial sequences of two lung antigens, clones #19069 (SEQ ID NO:90) and #18965 or #19002 (both SEQ ID NO:15), were previously provided. These partial sequences were used as a query to predict the full-length cDNA sequences for the isolated cloned sequenced by searching the publicly available databases. The predicted full-length cDNA sequence for the isolated cloned sequence of SEQ ID NO:90 is provided in SEQ ID NO:1923. The predicted full-length cDNA sequence for the isolated cloned sequence of SEQ ID NO:15 is provided in SEQ ID NO:1924. The deduced amino acid sequences of the two antigens are provided in SEQ ID NO:1925 and 1926, respectively. These sequences were then compared to known sequences in the GeneSeq database. Both sequences showed some degree of similarity to known sequences in the GeneSeq database. SEQ ID NO:1923 shows similarity to a lipophasphatic acid acyltransferase (GeneSeq Z2:000 and Z65038) and SEQ ID NO:1924 shows similarity to a zinc/iron regulated transporter-like protein (Geneseq Z38333 and A14995).

From the foregoing it will be appreciated that, although specific embodiments of the invention have been described herein for purposes of illustration, various modifications may be made without deviating from the spirit and scope of the invention. Accordingly, the invention is not limited except as by the appended claims.